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"FAUST" AT DRURY LANE THEATRE.

We this week give an illustration from the highly successful version of "Faust" at Drury Lane Theatre. The play was fully noticed in our last, and it will suffice, therefore, to say that our artist has chosen as the subject of his drawing the first scene, Faust's study, at the time when Mephistopheles, having transformed the old student into a young gallant, shows him Margaret in a vision. The scene is full of weird and poetic grandeur and is admirably contrived by the dramatist, as a means of whetting the curiosity of the audience for what is to follow. Our readers should be reminded that this magnificent play—magnificent in every sense—can but be played for a few weeks, as the series of performances of Miss Helen Faucit are to be given before Christmas, and they will of course necessitate the withdrawal of "Faust."

CAPTURE OF WHALES IN THE BRISTOL CHANNEL.

During the whole of Thursday the pretty town of Clevedon was thrown into a state of the most intense excitement in consequence of the capture of two large bottle-nose whales. At about six o'clock a gentleman named James noticed something peculiar on the shingle off the Little Harp Bay. The objects were lying together a short way out of the water, about forty yards from the shore, it being low tide at the time. Being struck with the idea that they were whales, he procured the assistance of Mr. Charles Lilly, of the racing gig boat, Ida, and that gentleman, in company with Captain Bullock and crew, pulled out in two small boats. Several shots were then fired at the heads of the monsters, and being secured by ropes they were ultimately dragged to shallow water. Here they remained some time blowing and emitting the noise peculiar to their tribe, when it was thought advisable to remove them to a more public spot near the beach, a distance of about a quarter of a mile, opposite the

Esplanade. This operation was fraught with the greatest difficulty and danger, as to obtain this end it was found necessary to drag the dying creatures to some depth in their native element. By this time the excitement had been raised to fever heat, and hundreds lined the green and rocks near the Hawthorns. The smallest whale was found to be a rather troublesome customer; and succeeded in dragging the boat, commanded by Captain Bullock, which had it in lent a hand, and it was at last brought to shore. The larger mammal was conveyed in with greater ease. On being drawn on land, which feat was accomplished by over a hundred men, the leviathans made the pebbles fly with the strokes of their enormous tails, to the great risk of the numerous bystanders. At last a gentleman suggested the desirability of cutting them in the gills; and this was carried into effect, and several gallons of blood flowed from them, tingling the water for many a yard along the shore. The larger whale measured 23ft, and the smaller one 18ft.



SCENE FROM "FAUST" AT DRURY LANE.—PART I, SCENE I: "THE LABORATORY."

Mephistopheles, Mr. Phelps; Margaret, Mrs. Herman Vesin; Faust, Mr. Edmund Phelps.

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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

CORRECTION.—We never heard of such an absurd match, and think it highly improbable. **CONSTANT READER.**—Yes; Lord George Bentinck was member for King's Lynn, and also one of the stewards of the Jockey Club.

THEATRICAL.

A. (Birmingham).—Your letter arrived too late for last week's number. We shall be happy to hear from you any time. **A. RABBIT.**—We do not know Mr. Brown's age. A memoir of the gentleman was published in our paper some time since. **CONSTANT READER (Plymouth).**—Comparisons are odious. The respective merits of Messrs. Phelps, Sullivan, and Palmer, each separately and individually, are not to be compared. We think still remains the most accomplished actor of the three. **D. W. O. (Liverpool).**—Mr. Sullivan during his last engagement at Drury Lane, prior to the one last continued, did not appear in leading Shakespearean roles. **T. F. (Mr. Phelps is about 50).** We should say. That height is certainly "a fair height for a tragedian," provided the tragedian is a fair tragedian for the height.

MISCELLANEOUS.

E. S. SHAW.—We never insert advertisements gratis.

Illustrated Sporting News.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1866.

EDITORIAL POSTSCRIPT.

The Austrian Emperor had a narrow escape of assassination. Happily, however, the notorious assassin was following on Saturday evening, as His Majesty was stepping into his carriage on leaving the Bohemian Theatre, a journeyman tailor was seen to point a pistol at him. To the credit of an Englishman is his detection due, as Captain Palmer observed the act, and instantly seeing the man's uplifted hand, prevented the accomplishment of his cowardly design, and the man was immediately handed over to the police, and now awaits his trial. The pistol upon examination was found to be loaded with ball.

We are indeed familiar with the sound of magisterial interference in connection with the Prize Ring, and it must be fresh in the memories of our readers that after the memorable battle between King and Heenan, at Wadsworth, in 1863, both men, together with poor Tom Sayers and several others, were bound over in heavy penalties not to again commit in the eyes of the law a breach of the peace. Proceedings in connection with a glove-fight, however, are somewhat novel, and the circumstances which led to them are fully detailed in another column. We, together with all who take an interest in the national pastime, cannot but deplore that a mere accident should have led to fatal results, and the interference of the authorities in the matter. Certain it is, that there is scarcely an Englishman unmanly enough to condemn one of the most recognised and essential exercises known. Still, such a raid has lately been made against Pugilism, that we fear for the result of the present law proceedings.

Scarcely have we recovered from the shock which penetrated to the homes of every class when the tidings of the ill-fated London reached us, than another dreadful maritime calamity is announced. This, happily, not upon our coasts; yet the sad details are rendered scarcely less painful when we contemplate that 254 human beings have been added to the obituary by one dire calamity. The circumstances connected with the loss of the steamship Evening Star are by no means dissimilar to those connected with the London. We learn that the ill-fated vessel sailed from New York bound for New Orleans on the 27th of Sept., having 278 souls on board. A troupe of opera singers were on board, and a large number of women were amongst the passengers. The weather was so fine and so pleasant that all started on their voyage in the highest spirits. Alas! Of all these light-hearted ones, scarcely a score were living within a few days! The vessel on the Tuesday following her sailing encountered a severe gale, to stand up against which she proved incapable; she strained and sprung a leak, and to the enormous sea she shipped. The passengers, the women included, worked at the pumps with all the frenzy of despair, but all to no avail; the ill-fated craft was doomed; and a harrowing sight indeed must have been the scene on board. With all hope abandoned, many stood mute with despair, others raved frantically, even some broke into the spirit room, and drowned their despair in drink. The end was not long coming; the vessel gradually settled down, and now but 24 of them on board remain to tell the tale. Of the four boats which weathered the gale, one was picked up five days after the catastrophe, while one of the tiny craft outbroke the tempestuous weather for nine days before she fell in with a friendly sail. It must be obvious the striking similarity between this episode and that of the London. Both, though starting under apparently most favourable circumstances, owed their fate entirely to being so unseaworthy, and were knocked to pieces by gales which even their own boats lived. It is asserted that the Evening Star had been condemned as unseaworthy. Let us hope the American authorities will institute a searching inquiry into the cause of the calamity. The sacrifice of two hundred and fifty lives demands it; for it is not to be endured that ship-owners should be allowed to imperil the lives of their passengers with impunity.

THE PAST AND FUTURE.

The Cambridgehire and its incidents we fully treated on in our last, yet the curtain did not fall on the proceedings at "head-quarters" till Saturday. Lord Lyon, despite his previous defeat by Fitzpinner when the latter received such a lump of weight, walked away from Rustic in the Thousand Pound Match; and that the Duke of Beaufort is now thoroughly disgusted with his idol is evident, as the once-crowned son of Stockwell and Village Lass left Newmarket for Prussia, having been purchased by Baron Schatzler for 2,000 guineas, and we understand he is destined for the stud. The settling over the Houghton passed off smoothly, and though the transactions at Albert-gate were of their usual magnitude, accounts were promptly met. No immense winners were reported over Actea, and it transpired that her owner stood her principally for a place. The approaches to Knightbridge were thronged almost to a nuisance, the sale of Lord Hastings's horses being the main attraction. The distribution (parlous for calling it such) rendered tolerably fair prices—an average of 205 guineas each. The wedding must at least be admitted, for who could realise the 5,000 guineas Kangaroo being parted with for 300 guineas! Blue Riband must indeed go to "Paddy" that no one could be found to give more than 80 guineas for the son of Pazzoletto, who

was purchased by a Prussian nobleman. The dark Derby colt Unwas was returned unsold; though 950 guineas was offered for him, still we were not prepossessed with his appearance, for though rather taking at first sight, he lacked sufficient bone to qualify him for high honours. Unfortunely was the "Horn" of the sale, but, as we surmised would be the case, he returned to Danbury, though £1,500 was offered for him. The racing at Worcester during the week scarcely calls for any comments. The Autumn Handicap fell to Brimstone, for whom it looked a good thing after his running on Friday last at Newmarket. It is noteworthy that the opening day did not pass over without an objection, wherein, of course, the favourite, Sandal, got the stakes. Who could scarcely doubt it, for the mare was backed for 2 s. and d., and the gentlemen won largely.

Next week, the last of the great Autumn Handicaps, the Liverpool Cup, will be decided over the Aintree Course, and then, with the exception of one or two minor meetings, another racing season will be brought to a close. The Liverpool Cup, the appearance of the weights, was universally pronounced to be one of the most flattering handicaps that Mr. Topham has ever framed. The acceptances have, however, considerably altered the aspect of affairs, as the weights have been raised 12lbs. The post of honour has been awarded to Monseley, with 8st 12lb, which is rather too much for him to carry successfully, although it is very probable he may be amongst the first three, as he was in the Chester Cup, when carrying the same weight. Lozenge, the next in the list, is fairly handicapped with 8st 7lb, and has run very respectably on several occasions this season when carrying a heavy weight. Cambscan has lost all form; and Sandel, 4 yrs, 8st 3lb, has but an outside chance. Friday may be passed over, as his temper will not allow him to win, and, besides, the stable have a far better representative in Miss Harriette. Salpinx is overweighted, and the same may be said of Treasure Trove and Brick. Arkansas has run fourteen times this season, and won four times, and may prove troublesome on this occasion, but is scarcely class enough to win. Mail Train, as usual, was amongst the entries and has accepted his weight being 7st 10lb, which is a very lenient impost for a five-year-old. William Day has also accepted with The Special, and the market at present points to the last-named as his representative. Mail Train is much the best in of the two, and it is high time that he made another effort to bring off the good thing his owner has intended him to do, and which he will never get another such a chance of doing, as the Admiral invariably takes care of him in his handicaps. Calithness has a much less taking appearance than on the first issue, and in all probability Mr. Graham will be represented by Chesport, who will run a very different horse at Liverpool, with a stronger jockey on his back, to what he did in the Cambridgehire. East Lynne and Red Earl are very moderate, and can have no chance in this company. Actea, the winner of the Cambridgehire, will like the distance, and is about the best place investment in the race, but will scarcely be able to win. Zenobia must be very moderate to be beaten by Moldavia in a trial for the Cambridgehire. Sandal, Lady Vane, The Squire, and Deesing may help to swell the field, but with no hopes of winning. Life Guardsmen is a good horse when wanted, and should this be his journey he will be very dangerous. Dubuay has been highly tried at home, but she seldom tries in public, and is best left alone. Nu is remarkably well in, and will take an immense deal of beating, if she does not actually win. She is sure to beat all the 6st 12lb division. Helen has a good outside chance, and should be watched. Miss Harriette, if she does not become a favourite, will run well. Chesport and Prospero are difficult to choose between, but if Chesport is as good as he was supposed to be before the Cambridgehire, he will very nearly win. I have now, I think, examined the chances of nearly all the animals engaged, and, as before the day several of them will be either scratched or knocked out, it is not likely the field will be a very large one, and in selecting a champion to do battle for me, it must be

NU OR CHEPSTOW.

with a preference for the former; and next to these I shall expect to see Actea.

TRUMPETER.

The Autumn Meeting at Liverpool takes place next week, and there is at present every prospect of a brilliant gathering. The sport being of a mixed character, we will commence by dealing with the chief item—the Liverpool Autumn Cup for which 31 have cried content; but the highest weight accepting being Monseley with 8st, his weight has been raised 12lb, and the others in proportion. Sandal has incurred a 5lb penalty, which further raises her weight, making it 7st 9lb, which is a very lenient impost for a five-year-old. The Special is all the rage, and as William Day's stable has had somewhat of a bad time lately, they may mean mischief this journey, for their two representatives are uncommonly well, particularly the Special, who will find this length much more suited to him than the Goodwood one, and after what we saw him do in the Beaufort Cup at Stockbridge, there is no getting away from admitting that he is a very superior horse. Still, in the dual park he did not disgrace himself, in succumbing to Kama, who is really better than a generally credited. The Special had a good preparation this autumn for "something or other," and the same may be said of his companion, Mail Train. The latter is a most mysterious horse, and we are quite certain there is a great race in him, and it would not surprise us to see him become a "rattler" at the eleventh hour, inasmuch as the public have been too eager to get on to The Special, which has somewhat spoiled the market for Sir Frederick Johnstone and party. Upon actual form though, we should certainly prefer the chance of the younger. Actea, according to the Cambridgehire running, must, indeed, be bad to beat; she is a game, speedy mare, appears to improve with time, and her partisans are sure to have a fair run for their money, which is more than can be said of three parts of the stables represented in the acceptance list; hence we see no safer place investment. Miss Harriette is in much better odour now than she was a few days back, and, upon paper reads exceedingly dangerous. Nu was in rare form during the Houghton week, and now that there is a rupture between Lord Poult and Mr. Carey, the mare is sure to be run out, and will conquer more than defeats her. There is the usual mystery about Mr. Graham's best, Calithness, or Chesport. Now the former certainly has run up to his Yorkshire form, but the other has not yet endorsed what has been so indubitably reported respecting his trial with Regalia. It may be that monetary influences on the one hand and high temper on the other have prevented the fulfilment of the expectations once generally ascribed to him. Within the last few hours there has been a sharp disposition evinced to drop Chesport instead of Calithness, though the latter was the earliest favourite for the race, properly based upon the Cambridgehire result. The best of these two must really be formidable, for we cannot go against public running; but we rather incline to Calithness. On Wednesday evening Salpinx created quite a furore, one gentleman backing him to win some thousands, but we do not believe in him. In fact we have no faith in anything now beyond

ACTEA.

and the best of WILLIAM DAY'S, which latter we rather fancy will be THE SPECIAL, despite the Woodpeckers' commission for him not to be properly executed.

Respecting the other events of the Mersey jubilee, we can only point to EASY and MISS ELIZABETH as likely to take a prominent part in the Knowlsey Nursery Stakes; LINDENTOP or LADY BOHN in the Flying Handicap; SURETY in the Grand Hurdle Race and

the Sefton Steeple Chase; BRAHMA in the Corinthian Hurdle Handicap; KNIGHT ERRANT or THE ROCK in the Liverpool Nursery; ELFEA or MISS ALLEN in the Sefton Handicap; and CRUSADE in the Steeplechase Handicap.

Racing Intelligence.

WORCESTER AUTUMN MEETING.—TUESDAY.

The autumn fixture commenced under favourable circumstances; for though slightly marred in the forenoon by threatening weather, the day passed off comparatively fine, and though we hardly look for a Jub attendance in November, Lord Overbury brought a large party from Croome, and the Stewards' Stand was occupied by Lord Stamford, Lord Westmorland, Hon. Colonel Forester, Sir Reginald Graham, Lord Bateman, Mr. W. Craven, Colonel Ouseley Higgins, Mr. R. Herbert, &c. A good afternoon's sport was provided. It will be noticed that an unusually good field contested the Autumn Handicap, which was one of those good things on which many might be put down with certainty, bar accidents, of finding it again with profit. Favourably weighted as Brimstone was, he could afford to lay off till Kenyon brought him to the front at the T.Y.C. post, when he had all his horses beaten and won, hands down.

A MATCH, for £50. Two miles on the flat.

Mr. Thorne's br m Rosa, aged, 7st.....Kenyon 1
Mr. Sefton's br m Roaring Mop, 7st.....Sopp 0
A Betting: 6 to 4 on Rosa, who entered in alone. Roaring Mop ran out and was not persevered with.

A HANDICAP PLATE of 50 sovs, added to a Sweepstakes of 5 sovs each, for three-year-olds and upwards. Winners extra. One mile and a quarter. 9 subs.

Mr. T. Wadlow's b m Sandal, by Stockwell, 5 yrs, 8st.....Morris 1
Mr. C. Owen's br h Alloway, 4 yrs, 8st 6lb.....Maidment 2
Mr. E. Buckley's ch c Success, 4 yrs, 8st 10lb.....Britton 3
Mr. J. Saxon's b f Monstress, 3 yrs, 7st 5lb.....H. Sharpe 4
Mr. Lepidist's b c Vampire, 3 yrs, 8st 12lb.....Pepper disq.
Betting: 5 to 4 against Sandal, and 4 to 1 against any other. Vampire won by a head, but an objection being lodged against him for cantering, the stakes were awarded to Sandal, who finished second.
The TWO-YEAR-OLD SELLING STAKES of 5 sovs each, with 30 added, with selling allowances. Half a mile. 9 subs.

Mr. Chaplin's ch c Goodfellow, by Kettlebottom, 7st 7lb.....Kenyon 1
Mr. F. King's b f Lute, 4 yrs, 8st 10lb.....Phillips 2
Mr. T. Golby's blk f Damathies, 4st 10lb.....Bridges 3
Mr. T. Stevens's b f Laura, 4st 10lb.....Pepper 4
Mr. Knight's ch f Novelty, 4st 10lb.....Thompson 5
Mr. E. Bayley's b f Rocket—Texana, 6st 10lb.....Murray 0
Mr. W. Craven's br h Lute, 4 yrs, 8st 10lb.....H. Jackson 0
Mr. James Turner's b c Colenso, 4 yrs, 8st 10lb.....H. Jackson 0

Betting: 2 to 1 on Goodfellow, 8 to 1 against Damathies, 9 to 1 against the Texana filly, 10 to 1 against Lute, and 100 to 1 against Colenso. Won in a canter by a length; a similar distance separated the second and third, the latter being a head in advance of Laura, who was placed fourth. The winner was purchased by Mr. K. for 25 guineas.
THE HURDLE RACE, a Handicap of 5 sovs each, with 40 added; winners extra. Two miles, with six furlongs of hurdles. 24 subs.
Mr. Dixon's b c Shakespear, by Gemma de Vergey, 5 yrs, 8st 1lb.....Wheeler 1

Mr. J. W. H. Powell's b c Heurlys, aged, 9st 12lb.....Sopp 2
Mr. P. Darr's ch c Steamboat, 3 yrs, 8st 12lb.....Sopp 1
Mr. W. Vallender's b f Discretion, 4 yrs, 8st 12lb.....Ri karky 4
Mr. W. Jones's b f Renfield, 4 yrs, 8st.....Tomlinson 5
Lord Ponet's blk or br c Brahma, 4 yrs, 10st 6lb.....Mr. Edwards 0
Mr. J. King's b f Wild Thyme, 5 yrs, 10st 6lb.....Mr. Edwards 0
Mr. W. S. Halford's b f Loveletter, 4 yrs, 8st 12lb.....W. White 0
Mr. C. Somers's ch f Lydia, 4 yrs, 9st 7lb.....Mitchell 0
Mr. A. Edwards's Oculia, 4 yrs, 8st.....S. Pepper 0
Mr. R. Fort's b c Fortunatus, 3 yrs, 8st 12lb.....Madley 0
Betting: 7 to 4 against Shakespear, 8 to 1 against Rosa, 10 to 1 against Brimstone, 8 to 1 against Renfield, 10 to 1 against Lute, and 100 to 1 against Fortunatus. Won in a canter by five lengths, a length separated second and third; Discretion was fourth.

THE WORCESTER AUTUMN HANDICAP, a Sweepstakes for three-year-olds and upwards, of 10 sovs each, with 100 sovs added; winners extra; second horse saved stake. One mile and three furlongs. 13 subs.

Capt. Macchell's b c Brimstone, by Lord Fauconberg, 3 yrs, 6st.....Kenyon 1

Mr. R. B. Jeffery's b f Wild Poppy, 4 yrs, 6st 13lb.....Thompson 2
Mr. G. Wella's b f Michie, 3 yrs, 6st.....Sopp 3
Mr. Windsor's b h Dick Turpin, aged, 6st 12lb.....G. Sopp 4
Lord Bateman's b h Moulsey, 5 yrs, 8st 12lb.....Morris 0
Mr. T. Parr's ch c Moss, 6 yrs, 8st.....Clement 0
Mr. J. Saxon's b f Laura, 4 yrs, 8st 10lb.....H. Jackson 0
Mr. T. Golby's blk g Vigilant, 4 yrs, 8st 2lb.....Cameron 0
Mr. J. Saxon's br c John Halifax, 3 yrs, 8st 11lb.....H. Vinell 0
Betting: 9 to 4 against Brimstone, 9 to 2 against Moulsey, 5 to 1 against Wild Poppy, 6 to 1 against Moss, 10 to 1 against Arkansas, and 10 to 1 against John Halifax and Vigilant. Kenyon waited with the favourite till entering the straight, when he went to the front, and won with great ease by half a length; two lengths separated the second and third; Dick Turpin was fourth, Arkansas next, John Halifax being last.

THE NURSERY PLATE HANDICAP of 50 sovs, added to a Sweepstakes of 5 sovs each, for two-year-olds. The second horse won his stake. Winners extra. T.Y.C., a straight half mile. 27 subs.

Mr. A. O. Douglas's b f Miss Frances, by Prime Minister, 7st.....Covey 1

Sir C. Rushout's b f Moonbeam, 8st 10lb.....Clement 2
Mr. W. S. Halford's Recompense, 8st 10lb.....Cameron 3
Mr. J. Saxon's Lady Curzon, 8st 3lb.....Cameron 4
Captain Christie's b f Jeannie Deans, 8st 2lb.....Grimsley 0
Lord Coventry's ch f La Maudite, 8st.....J. Adam 0
Mr. R. Porter's b c Challenge, 8st 6lb.....Mordn 0
Mr. James Turner's b f Belle of Cadiz, 7st 2lb.....Roece 0
Mr. W. P. Rodney, jun's ch f Millie, 7st 2lb.....Humphrey 0
Mr. W. Meeson's b c Lord Bagot, 7st 2lb.....Sanderson 0
Mr. T. Parr's ch f Rebecca, 7st.....G. Sopp 0
Mr. Brayley's b c Monchoir, 8st 10lb.....H. Jackson 0
Mr. James Turner's ch f Emerald, 8st 10lb.....Thompson 0
Mr. W. W. Baker's ch c Merry Monarch, 6st 8lb.....Wyatt 0
Lord Westmorland's blk c The Rock, 6st 11lb.....Kenyon 0
Betting: 9 to 4 against The Rock, 10 to 15 against Jeannie Deans, 8 to 1 against La Maudite, 10 to 1 each against Moonbeam, Merry Monarch, and Lady Curzon. Won in a canter by a length; a neck separated the second and third, and a similar distance divided the latter from the fourth. The others beaten off.

A SELLING STAKES of 5 sovs each, with 30 added. Weight for age, with selling allowances. Five furlongs on the straight. 5 subs.

Mr. T. Goddard's gr f Chicken Hazard, by Rattlebone, 3 yrs, 7st 1lb.....Viney 1
Captain Macchell's br c King Charles, 2 yrs, 6st 11lb.....Kenyon 2
Mr. J. Taylor's ch g Tribune, by Ancestral Briton, 2 yrs, 6st 11lb.....Viney 3
Mr. J. Saxon's b f Prescriptions, 5 yrs, 8st.....H. Jackson 0
Gabbler, 3 yrs, 7st 1lb.....H. Jackson 0
Captain Christie's b f Prescriptions, 5 yrs, 8st.....H. Jackson 0
Betting: Even on King Charles, 4 to 1 each against Bonnie Fortune and Prescriptions. Won in a canter by a length. There were four lengths between the second and third. The winner was bought in for 65 guineas.

WEDNESDAY.

A HANDICAP PLATE of 40 sovs, for all ages. Five furlongs. Winner to be sold for £50.

Lord Westmorland's b c Donatello, by Ruby, 2 yrs, 6st.....Kenyon 1
Mr. T. Stevens's b f Laura, 2 yrs, 6st 10lb.....Kenyon 2
Captain Christie's b f Prescriptions, 5 yrs, 8st 8lb.....Cameron 3
Captain Macchell's br c King Charles, 2 yrs, 6st.....Jarvis 0
Mr. J. L. Evans's b c Espartaco, 2 yrs, 6st 6lb.....A. Watkins 0
Mr. J. T. Taylor's b c Colenso, 2 yrs, 6st 10lb.....Sanderson 0
Mr. A. Hunt's Bonnie Fortune, 2 yrs, 6st 7lb.....Clark 0

Mat Dawson was out early with Julius, Pericles, and Bombastes, and who did some nice steady exercise; The Hermit, the Rake, D'Estournel, Fripponier, and several others of our two-year-olds were cantering smartly. Breadalbane did a mile and three quarters fast, and King Charming went about the same distance. Joseph Dawson gave Miss Harriette and Friday a rattling gallop, the others of his lot were cantering. Calithness, Regalia, and the other yearlings looked well, and doing good steady work. King Charming, Antimacassar, and Chetlunham were rattling along. No is doing strong work for the Liverpool Cup. Several of Mr. Chaplin's left at night for Worcester. Those that were doing anything on Wednesday were Julius, Bombastes, and Flying Scud. The Rake and the others of Joe Dawson's repeated the same work as on Tuesday. Jennings's were doing little. Stradbroke, Calithness, Chestow, and Regalia were at exercise on the tan gallop.

FYFIELD.

Several of our team did not arrive home from Newmarket till Monday. Of those here that were out Zuyder Zee colt, Countess Amy, Overture, Intimidation colt, Overtonian, Cantine filly, Skirmisher colt, Wild Dayrell colt, and the Splittivo filly had each a rattling gallop of a mile and a half. The Mayonaise filly, Savernack Staghound, and Captain Kidd did not show. Bad weather on Tuesday interfered with early operations; several were out shortly after twelve, when Overture, Flatall, Bagher the Splittivo filly, and Countess Amy went a thorough pipe-operer of two miles and a half. Overtonian galloped by himself. Nimble, after entering, galloped about three parts of a mile. Pepper's Ghost was principally walking. Savernack, Captain Kidd, the Mayonaise filly, and Staghound were again absent; nor did Bradamante nor Adam Bede show. The following confined their work to a half mile gallop:—Pussy, Intimidation colt, the Flutter colt, Mayonaise filly, Dragon, Zuyder Zee colt, Splittivo colt, Arcade, Gentle Kitty filly, Canine filly, Wild Dayrell colt, Skirmish colt, and Newcastle filly.

SALE OF THE MARQUIS OF HASTINGS'S STUD AT ALBERT GATE.

The sale of the Marquis of Hastings's horses in training took place on Monday at Albert Gate. The attendance was very large, but far from distinguished, as the only nobilities present were the Marquis of Ailesbury, Marquis of Hasling, Lord Vivian, Baron Maitland, Baron Schazler, Capt. Coventry, Capt. Hawkesley, Capt. W. A. Heathcote, Mr. Pryor, and Mr. G. B. Farnie. All the animals advertised changed owners with the exception of Uncas, Ines, Mrs. Stratton, Lecturer, and Black Prince. The highest figures realised were for Ackworth, who was bought by Mr. T. Hughes for 800*g*s.; Whirligig, King Hal, and Duches brought 250*g*s. each, but Kangaroo at 360*g*s. Mr. Jackson secured Repulse for the Fairfield stud at the low price of 310*g*s. The figures at which the bought-in ones returned to Danebury were, for Lecturer, 1,500*g*s.; for Uncas, 950*g*s.; for Ines, 700*g*s.; and for Mrs. Stratton, 250*g*s. The average price realised being 250*g*s., the total realised 3,475*g*s. The following are the prices realised, with the names of the buyers:—

Jane Shore, 5 yrs, by Horn of Clasp—Jane Eyre, by Birdcatcher	Gs.
Lupa, 2 yrs, by Romulus—Jocose	Mr. H. Hill 105
Ackworth, 5 yrs, by Fazeoletto—Constellation, by Alham	Mr. Clark 21
Duchess, 2 yrs, by St. Albans—Bay Colts, by Orlando	Mr. T. Hughes 800
Master of Arts, 2 yrs, by Oxford—Egyptian, by Touchstone	Mr. Haynes 20
Empress, 2 yrs, by St. Albans—Eulogy, by Euclid, Mr. Barry	23
Tumbler, 2 yrs, by Commotion or Defender—Golconda (Pentaloon's dam),	Mr. J. Kellow 38
Romey, 2 yrs, by Romulus—Anne Page, by Touchstone	Lord Vivian 55
Captain, 2 yrs, by Commotion—Polly Peachum, by Collingwood	Mr. Lees 20
Whirligig, 2 yrs, by St. Albans—Maypole, by Sweetmeat	Mr. Reeves 26
King Hal, 3 yrs, by King Tom—Contadina, by Newminster	Mr. G. B. Farnie 200
Repulse, 3 yrs, by Stockwell—Sortie, by Melbourne Mr. Jackson	261
Attacho, 5 yrs, by Saunterer—La Victime, by Flatcatcher	Mr. L. Le Tertre 310
Sweet Ann, 3 yrs, by Knight—by Kara—Anne Page, by Touchstone	Mr. L. Le Tertre 350
Bree Riband, 3 yrs, by Fazeoletto—Ornament, by Weatherbit	Baron Schazler 206
Kangaroo, 4 yrs, by Hobbie Noble—Yarra Yarra, by Cowl	Mr. H. Coventry 80
Prodgal, 2 yrs, by Overwork—Stragway, by Orlando	Mr. R. Herbert 360

THE PROPERTY OF A GENTLEMAN.

Humdram, ch yearling f, by Rataplan—Teashem; with her engagement in the Epson Oaks Mr. E. Drayley 115 || Calover, lg 3 yrs, by Beaufort—Glenish, by Mr. Harcourt | 21 |

BLOOD MARE.

Harridan, by Kingston—Hare; in foal to Asteroid ..Capt. Upton 130

The Duke of Newcastle has experienced a great loss by the death of Lady Roden (Liddington's dam) from a broken leg, caused by a kick; and it is feared that Polynesia (a recent purchase from Mr. G. B. Farnie), and Hawthorn blossom, who were also in the scutcheon, are so badly injured that it will be impossible to save them. Lady Roden was in foal to Blair Athol.

It is rumored that the confederacy hitherto existing between Lord Ponlet and Mr. C. H. Carew is about to be dissolved, and Nu will come to the hammer as the last and second horse.

Repulse, the winner of the One Thousand Guineas, was purchased at Tatversall's on Monday, for 350 guineas, by her original owner, Mr. Jackson. It is said that Polynesia is a beautiful mare, and that she has no congenital defects, but beyond winning the One Thousand Guineas, she has done nothing.

The lucky Day next year is fixed for Wednesday, May 27.

Lord Elmoham has sold Honiton, and we believe that he goes to Wren. Master Richard who was sold at the recent sale of Mr. Hugh Smith's horses for 200 guineas, has been sent to the stud.

Optimist, by Lexington, dam by Glencoe, is intended to be let for one or more seasons.

She is advised to serve twenty-five mares, advertising ten of the Royal stud, at 50 guineas each.

Saltau was struck out of the Liverpool Autumn Cup immediately the weights appeared.

On Saturday (4th) broke down badly in a Sweepstakes of 5 sows, a Newmarket, on Sunday.

John Singhalgh's two-year-old filly by Rattle, out of Freckle, has been named Lass of Scotland.

Dennington Races and Steeplechases will take place on December 4. and 5. CLARENCE, the champion hunter, was killed by a narrow escape with his life, the other day at Middleham. While being walked round in the afternoon, he stuck into her chest, but happily did not penetrate sufficiently deep to prove fatal.

CLARENCE'S RACING CHRONICLE.—The November and last monthly part of this handy turf guide was published on Thursday.

Silthor, 3 yrs, is now used as a hack at Ryfield.

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SALE OF COLONEL HUGH SMITH BAILLIE'S HORSES.

The sale of these horses took place on Saturday last, at the Star and Garter Hotel, Andover, under an execution from the sheriff. Considering this was an unreserved sale there was a very scanty attendance, and but few buyers. The prices realised were extremely low, as will be seen from the annexed list. One brood mare was knocked down for two guineas. The Messrs. Day, from Stockbridge, were present, as well as a few others of the turfite fraternity. The following are the names of the buyers, and the prices which each lot realised.

HORSES IN TRAINING.

1. John Davis, by Voltigeur—Jamaica	Mr. J. Day	600
2. Master Richard, by Teddington—Energy	Mr. Petagh	260
3. Wild Parsley, by Wild Dayrell—Garnish	Mr. Haynes	75
4. Quirina, by Marsyas or Orlando—Countess of Alhermar	Mr. Haynes	30
5. Fairfield, by Newminster—Garotter's dam	Mr. J. Day	230
6. Trounson, by Trumpeter—Alkali	Mr. H. Barnes	60
7. Harpenden, by St. Albans—Energy	Mr. J. Day	130
8. Nell Gwynne, by St. Albans—Energy	Mr. Green	60
9. Seville, by St. Albans—Donna Maria	withdrawn	
10. Bay colt, by St. Albans—Telly West	Mr. H. Barnes	22
11. Yearling by Voltigeur—Garnish	Mr. A. Day	35
12. Bay colt, by Canary—Telly West	Mr. H. Green	54
13. Bay colt, by Dundee—Donna Maria	withdrawn	
14. Chestnut filly, by Trumpeter—Energy	Mr. J. Day	82
15. Bay colt, by Rattle—Aurora	Mr. Phillips	6

BLOOD MARES.

16. Energy, by Weatherbit—Start	Mr. Milton	25
17. Telly West, by West Australian—Bay Telly	Mr. Wolfe	60
18. Donna Maria, by King Tom—Ma Mio	withdrawn	
19. Aurora, by Autocrat	Mr. Turner	2

STALLIONS.

20. Canary, by Orlando—Palmer	Mr. J. Day	45
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SALE OF BLOOD STOCK AT NEWMARKET.

The following horses were disposed of by Messrs. Tattersall on Thursday during the recent Houghton Meeting—

THE PROPERTY OF MR. J. WOOD.

Nightshade, 2 yrs, by Knight of St. Patrick out of Stretched	Mr. Weatherby	21
Amorous, brood mare, with a filly foal by Citadel, and served by him again	Earl of Stamford	210

HORSES IN TRAINING, THE PROPERTY OF MR. TEN BROECK.

Esquire, 2 yrs, by Van Dieman out of Remnant	Mr. Sanger	25
Piano, 2 yrs, by Fandango out of Aspasia	Mr. Sanger	20

THE PROPERTY OF MR. TEN BROECK.

Busby Body, 2 yrs, by Scandal—Waterwitch Mr. J. Nightingall		
B yearling f, by Rangoon, dam Constantia	Mr. T'Anson	13

FRIDAY.

MR. GRAVEN'S ANNUAL SALE OF HORSES IN TRAINING.		
Filbert, 4 yrs, by Elchebor—Adele	Mr. Robinson	25
Ureana, 3 yrs, by Stockwell out of Terrena	Mr. P. Price	90
Panacea, 3 yrs, by The Cure out of Lord Durham's dam	Mr. G. Reynolds	165
Caustic, 3 yrs, by The Cure out of Miss Peddie		

Mr. G. Herring	100
Mr. Hawksley	1000
Bismarck, 2 yrs.....	

Bandmaster, 2 yrs, by Kettledrum out of Ellermire	Mr. C. Reynard	100
Levity Lambton, 2 yrs, by Lambton out of Lord Durham's dam		

Bravura, 2 yrs, by Marsyas—Fanfaronade.....	Mr. G. Herring	250
	Mr. G. Herring	50

Earl of Essex, 2 yrs, by Rinaldo, dam by Jerry	
Mr. Mannington	45

Mr. Jos. Dawson	38
Blue Stocking, 2 yrs, by Dundee—Athena Pallas—Mr. White	

Princess	Mr. Jos. Dawson	38
Blue Stocking, 2 yrs, by Dundee—Athena Pallas...	Mr. White	25
Perdition (late Panacea), 2 yrs, by The Cure out of Margaret		

Novice, 3 yrs, by Marsyas out of Seclusion (Hermit's dam)	Mr. Winteringham	45
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Mr. J. Foy	65
THE PROPERTY OF A GENTLEMAN.	
White Stocking (brother to Cortolvin), fast, and likely to make	

White Stocking (brother to Cortolvin), fast, and likely to make a first-class steeplechase horse	Lord Stamford	150
THE PROPERTY OF A GENTLEMAN		

renzy, by Alarm, with a filly foal by Loiterer; covered by
 Optimist Mr. T. Jennings. 90

THE PROPERTY OF A GENTLEMAN.		
Frenzy, by Alarm, with a filly foal by Lotterer, covered by Optimist		

Yearling Filly, by Thunderbolt out of Perfume.....Mr. White	12
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Mr. T. Jennings	50	
Yearling Filly, by Thunderbolt out of Perfume	Mr. White	12

CANINE.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT.

VICTORIA GROUNDS.—Andrew's dog Spot and J. Bray's dog Spot are matched to run 200 yards, at the above grounds, on December 20, for £25 a side (the former receiving 7 yards 5 in start). Mr. Woolfoot, as stakeholder and referee, has received an earnest of a "five" a side; the second deposit, of a like amount, to be made on November 19.

MANCHESTER.

COPENHAGEN GROUNDS.—The weather and a limited programme had the effect of making a poor show in the item of visitors on Saturday, a disappointment having been felt in consequence of an announced 400 yards race between G. Collier, of Bury, and J. Stott, of Heywood, for £20, not taking place. This omission left only a dog race for decision, between B. Haslam's Posey, of Manchester, and J. Wood's Spring, of Oldham, the stake being £20. The betting was quoted at 4 to 1 on Spring, who beat Posey by three yards. Mr. Thomas Hayes was referee.

OLDHAM.

HOOKESSHAW GROUNDS.—Saturday was a great day at these grounds, for, in addition to a few "small fry" there was the running of the preliminary heats of the All England Dog Handicap, promoted by Mr. Chadwick, the enterprising proprietor. Upwards of 600 spectators were present to witness the sports provided, and no doubt there would have been a much larger gathering had it not been for the unfavourable weather, the fog being so dense that the spectators were unable to see more than fifty yards. The "ball" was thrown by

NELLY AND ELY.—This was a 200 yards race between Woolley's Nelly and Fielding's Ely, two whelps six months old, and though the wager was only a small item, there was as much interest vested in it as for a "pony." Ely went in an easy winner.

DON HANDICAP.—The prizes were £20, £4, and £1, and there were 100 animals entered, 120 of whom came to the post, divided into 42 lots, 24 of five each and 18 of four each. The close contests throughout showed handicapping most creditable to those who had undertaken the duty. Mr. Whitaker fired the pistol, and Mr. Greaves officiated as referee. There were two dead heats. In the fourth heat Pollard's Violet, of Baxrick, and Telly's Tommy, of Middleton, ran a dead heat, and on running again Tommy came in first by a head. In the fourth heat Howarth's Beauty, of Birtle, and Boardman's Gipsy, of Oldham, ran a dead heat, but it was afterwards won by Beauty.

The following won their heats:—Loret's Dart, Oldham, 21½, 7½; Greaves's Gipsy, Oldham, 14½, 6½; Wild's Spark, Oldham, 18½, 6½; Telly's Tommy, Middleton, 17½, 6½; Schofield's Sir Robert, Fawcett, 20½, 7½; Wrigley's Tally Lees, 19½, 6½; Hilton's Pink, Oldham, 18½, 6½; Grindrod's Rosa is Oldham, 23½, 8½; Kenyon's Spider, Brighouse, 21½, 6½; Wild's Gipsy, Birtle, 21½, 7½; Kenyon's Pink, Brighouse, 18½, 6½; Wolfenden's Venture, Rochdale, 16½, 6½; Heywood's Rose, Hulme, 17½, 6½; Howarth's Beauty, Birtle, 21½, 6½; Heaton's Nell, Denton, 20½, 7½; Hall's Violet, Jumbo, 18½, 6½; Schofield's Polly, Oldham, 21½, 6½; Robert's Butterfly, Salford, 16½, 6½; Wrigley's King John, Oldham, 20½, 8½; Robert's Twilight, Stalybridge, 14½, 6½; Howarth's Catch, Halshaw Moor, 16½, 6½; Johnson's Laddie, Oldham, 18½, 7½; Dawson's Bess, Fawcett, 23½, 6½; Platt's Catch, Asen, 18½, 6½; Howarth's Whiteout, Rochdale, 18½, 6½; Holt's Dart, Gills-moor, 18½, 6½; Wrigley's Mimosa, Leam, 16½, 6½; Greaves's Spark, Oldham, 22½, 7½; Midwood's Empress, Stalybridge, 18½, 6½; Schofield's Bolt, Salford, 22½, 6½; Turner's Tip, Salford, 20½, 6½; Blamer's Fanny, Bradford, 12½, 6½; Clegg's Lucy, Oldham, 14½, 6½; Hilton's Shifter, Oldham, 17½, 6½; Diggle's Whip, Ratcliffe, 16½, 6½; Whitehead's Fly, Oldham, 16½, 6½; Bradbury's Fly, Saddleworth, 18½, 6½; Whitehead's Spark, Mossley, 23½, 7½; Walker's Polly, Mossley, 14½, 6½; Andrews's Violet, Mossley, 16½, 6½; Smith's Lady, Stalybridge, 16½, 6½; Walker's Nancy, Halshaw-moor, 12½, 6½.

J. Shaw's Nell, of Huddersfield, and S. Mitchell's Bess, of Batley are watched to run 200 yards, for £15 a side, at these grounds, on November 10. £7 10s. a side is now down in the hands of Mr. J. Woolfoot, of Leeds, who is to be final stakeholder and referee.

J. Briggs's Spot, of Lockwood, and J. Smith's Sailor, of Lindley, are watched to run 200 yards, for £15 a side, at these grounds, on Monday, November 12. £5 a side is now down in the hands of Mr. J. Dutton, of Huddersfield, who is to be final stakeholder and referee.

Athletic Sports.

FIXTURES.

NOVEMBER.

2, 3.—St. John's College, Oxford	
3.—West London Rowing Club, at Brompton.	
24.—London Athletic Club—Open Handicap Race—220 yards Challenge Cup.	

OXFORD MERTON COLLEGE SPORTS.

On the Merton Cricket Ground on Saturday afternoon the first of the College sports came off, the competition being confined to the members of the Myrmidon Club, composed entirely of Merton men. The stewards were the Rev. C. W. Stanhope, Mr. C. J. T. Dunlop, Mr. J. B. Hankey, and Mr. J. J. Wilkeson. The following were the results:—Handicap Flat Race, 120 yards, 4 min. 40 sec. 1, O. J. T. Dunlop, 5 yards start, 2, A. Hankey, 3, F. Magney, 4, R. T. Raikes, 7, J. Whitmore, 9, T. L. Priese, 10, and G. Bakhtmeteff, 10, also ran. King, the favourite, was easily by three yards. Time, 13 sec.

Handicap Hurdle Race, 200 yards 10 flights of hurdles—First heat: C. J. T. Dunlop, 2 hurdles, 1, F. A. Hankey, 2 hurdles, 2, won by four yards. Time, 28 sec. Second heat: A. King, scratch, 1, J. L. Shaw, 2 hurdles, 2, won easily by half a yard. Time, 31 s. c. Final heat: A. King, 1, J. Whitmore, 2, C. J. T. Dunlop, 3, King, the favourite, won easily at the finish. Time, 28 sec.

Handicap Half-mile Race, 1 mile, Morris, 80 yards start, 1, R. T. Raikes, 40, 2, J. L. Shaw, 20, 3, A. King, scratch, 0, F. A. Hankey, 20, 0, C. J. T. Dunlop, 20, 0, F. Magney, 35, 0, Bertie, 40, 0, L. Ackright, 40, 0, C. Wasbrough, 40, 0, C. L. Arkwright, 45, 0, E. Conolly, 55, 0, F. Whitmore, 70, 0, T. L. Priese, 80, 0, G. Bakhtmeteff, 80, 0, Mr. Morris led the race from the start, and although running with his arm in a sling won rather easily. Mr. Raikes being second, and Mr. Shaw a good third. Time 2min 28 sec.

Handicap High Jump, 1 J. Whitmore, who jumped 4 ft 4 in, which, with an allowance of 5 in, made 4 ft 9 in; F. A. Hankey, 4 ft 5 in, and 5 in allowed, 4 ft 5 in; C. J. T. Dunlop, 4 ft 7 in, each.

Handicap Flat Race, 300 yards; C. J. T. Dunlop, 12 yards start, 1, R. T. Raikes, 25, 2, A. King, scratch, 0, F. A. Hankey, 10, 0, J. L. Shaw, 12, 0, F. Magney, 15, 0, A. Bertie, 20, 0, L. Ackright, 20, 0, C. Wasbrough, 20, 0, U. L. Arkwright, 20, 0, E. Conolly, 30, 0, G. Whitmore, 30, 0, T. L. Priese, 30, 0, B. Morris, 30, 0. After an exciting struggle Mr. Dunlop breasted the tape first; Raikes, second. Time, 40 sec.

Handicap Long Jump.—Hankey, who covered 15 ft 1 in, scratch, 1; A. King, who jumped 15 ft 10 in, scratch, 2; Dunlop, who, with his allowance of 6 in, made 14 ft 10 in, 3.

Trouser Race.—Three men came to the scratch for this event, which was easily gained by Messrs. Hankey and Arkwright; Bakhtmeteff and Raikes second, Dunlop and Whitmore a bad third.

For the consolation race only Bakhtmeteff and Raikes put in an appearance, and the latter won easily.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE SPORTS.

These sports commenced yesterday (Friday) and conclude to-day, when there will also be a strangers' half-mile race.

WEST LONDON ROWING CLUB ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The entries for the Great Oyster Creek Handicap, for £15, 15s, represented by Messrs. Bryant, Houseman, and J. Tyler, closed on Saturday, the 20th ult, and so very numerous have they been that a second prize will be given. The meeting to-day (Saturday) will commence at 2 instead of 3 p.m. The Mile Race has not filled, and the prize will not, therefore, be given; but there will be a 100 Yards Race in three heats, open to club members only. As a great concourse of spectators may be expected, we are glad to hear that every precaution will be taken to ensure the convenience of competitors and visitors alike. That this is necessary may easily be inferred, as from the large field there can be no doubt that this will be the greatest amateur handicap ever known.

SINGULAR ARREST ON A CHARGE OF FENIANISM.

An extraordinary arrest on a charge of Fenianism took place at the late races of Cullivoe. It appears that on the second day of the races Mr. Laurence Roche, of Mullacoe, an extensive landowner, was on the racecourse accompanied by his brother and Mr. Kieran, of Tallastown. Head Constable Burns, approaching them, touched Mr. Roche gently on the shoulder, at the same time intimating to him that he was his prisoner. Mr. Roche's brother asked what was the charge against him, and the head constable having refused to tell, the brother advised the prisoner to resist the arrest. Several other members of the family, however, now on their feet, appeared, and Mr. Roche was conveyed to the police barracks. Here an amount of bail was offered by Mr. Roche's friends, but Mr. Johnson, the magistrate present, declared that he could not take bail, being himself ignorant of the charge against the prisoner. Mr. Roche was next brought to Crossmaglen, a distance of two miles, where informations were sworn by Head Constable Burns, and the prisoner was committed to Newtownhamilton Bridewell, where he was detained during the night, and next day brought before Captain Greene and Mr. Johnson. On being informed of the prosecutor. Head Constable Burns's informations were to the effect that the prisoner was pointed out to him as a leader of the Fenian conspiracy, and he arrested him, believing that he was fully justified in doing so. He heard that there was to be a demonstration in connection with Fenianism on the course on the second day of the races. Sub-inspector Black, who was in command on the course, said he did not hear anything about Mr. Roche's arrest until it had taken place. He believed Burns was justified in taking him into custody from the information he received. Burns applied to the Court for a remand of the prisoner. Mr. Callan strongly opposed the application. The Bench acceded to the power granted by the suspension of the Habeas Corpus Act. The magistrates having deliberated for a short time, took bail for Mr. Roche's appearance when called upon. A Mr. Geoghegan, lately arrived from America, who was arrested on the same day on the racecourse on a similar charge, was also permitted to stand out on bail.—Saunders's News-Letter.

AQUATICS.

HIGH WATER AT LONDON BRIDGE.

	MORNING.	AFTERNOON.
SATURDAY, NOV. 3.	17 min past 11	46 min past 11
SUNDAY	0 min past 0	12 min past 0
MONDAY	35 min past 0	55 min past 0
TUESDAY	16 min past 1	35 min past 1
WEDNESDAY	62 min past 1	9 min past 2
THURSDAY	20 min past 2	42 min past 2
FRIDAY	28 min past 2	15 min past 3
SATURDAY, NOV. 10.	30 min past 3	46 min past 3

In calculating the time of High Water at Chelsea, 35 minutes must be added to that given at London Bridge; 50 minutes must be added for Putney; Hamersmith is one hour later; Barnes, 1 hour and 10 minutes; Row, 1 hour and 30 minutes; and Richmond, 1 hour and 50 minutes later than London Bridge.

FIXTURES FOR THE PRESENT MONTH.

3.—Brunnell and Oliver—To row on the Tyne, 45 a side	
5.—R. Chambers (Walsend) and J. Boyd—to row on the Tyne, 225 a side	
6.—Cullin and W. Sadler—Putney to Mortlake, 4 a side	
12.—Gillender and Lamb—to row on the Tyne, 250 a side	
22.—Chambers and Sadler—250 a side and Championship of the Thames	
23.—Alexandra Rowing Club, River Lea—Tours	

THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

From what we learn, all is going on well for this event. Sadler is doing good work in capital form, and Chambers is reported as good as ever, and rapidly improving in condition.

SADLER AND CAFFIN.

Good accounts reach us about the conduct of these men, who are rapidly getting fit. Caffin is doing plenty of work. He seems far more at home in heavy than in light boats. The match takes place Nov. 6.

J. H. CLASPER AND JEM TAYLOR.

Tuesday last was the day arranged for the match for £200, which has created such general interest in northern aquatic circles. The contest was over the Tyne Champion Course—viz., from the High Level-bridge to the Suspension-bridge, at Scotswood, in outriggers. Without entering into the part performances of these men we may state that John Hawke Clasper is the eldest son of the veteran Harry; he is in his twenty-ninth year, stands 5 feet 5½ inches, and his rowing weight is from 8st 6lb to 8st 9lb. His training was conducted at his father's house. James Taylor is one of the celebrated crew, the Taylor Brothers, of the Newcastle, Newcastle. He is in his twenty-eighth year, stands 5 feet 9 inches, and weighs about 10st. The betting was 6 to 4 on Taylor. Precisely at half-past seven a.m.—the time appointed for the race—both men put off in their boats, Clasper taking the north side. The wind was blowing from the west, and the water was very rough. Clasper got best away, but Taylor was slightly in advance at the Manby Burn, and gradually increased his lead to three lengths at the Shot Tower, where a keel lay in their course. Taylor gave it a wide berth and Clasper had a close shave from an upset. There was no variation in the race, for Taylor kept well ahead, and finished an easy winner by three lengths. Time, 32min 35sec. He said the members of the Albion Rowing Club intend to present the winner with a gold chain and silver watch at Mr. Stephenson's.

J. PEDGRIFF AND S. TAGG.

This scullers' match for £20 took place on Monday last, the course selected being from the top of the Kingston Waterworks to the New Teddington Locks. A good deal of interest was evinced in the match, there being a large number of spectators. Pedgrieff, who belongs to the Suburban Traders' Club, is a true sculler, and a first class bric-a-brac by trade. Showing good promise, he was taken to hand by George Hammetton, of Kingston, and rowed in his crew for the Thames National, when he displayed good form and power. As a sculler he has a little practice, but Hammetton, who looked after him for the race, has made the most of the time, and the result showed very fair style. Samuel Tagg is also a novice, being only nineteen years old. He rowed with great determination, and appeared well-developed, and no doubt has a better day in store. Tagg, who won the toss and took Middlesex, was shown up (or rather down) by his lack, who trained him for the first time, when Hammetton did duty for his progress. About half-past three the men got to stations, and after a good deal of fiddling, went away very level. Tagg was the livelier and took half a length lead in the first few strokes, and commenced boring Pedgrieff over to the Waterworks, and a foul ensued. In reference, however, to the match, it was unintentional, and ordered the race to now on. Pedgrieff now got just away, and going well to work, was clear in fifty yards, and led by a clear length at the Island. The race was now virtually over; for though Tagg rowed pluckily, his opponent kept and increased his lead, winning by a dozen lengths. Mr. James Messenger, of Teddington, was referee.

WEST LONDON AMATEURS.—This club rowed a pair-oared race on Saturday last, from Putney to Chiswick. Three crews entered, and came in as follows:—Messrs. Howe and Stive (stroke), first; Messrs. Wiles and Manning (stroke), second; Messrs. Ricketts and Smith (stroke), third. Ricketts took the lead, which he held to the Soapworks, where he ran into the bank and was passed by the others, who were nearly level. At Hammersmith, Howe was a length to the good, and maintained his advantage to the finish, winning a good race by that distance.

NORSE ROWING CLUB.—This club rowed a four-oared race on Saturday, from Isleworth to Richmond, with the following result:—Messrs. Lister, Koyingham, Burton, Norton (stroke), Richardson (cox.), first; Messrs. Kingsley, C. Gordon, Willis, G. C. Gordon (stroke), N. Pole (cox.), second; Messrs. Peters (cox.), second; Keane and Seare (stroke), Weston (cox.), third. Good race; won by two lengths.

NORTH LONDON ROWING CLUB.—A scullers' race for a cup came off on Monday last, from Hammersmith to Barnes, between Messrs. Smith and Rowlett of this club. The latter held the lead to Oliswick Church, where Smith caught his opponent, and passing him, won easily by about a couple of lengths.

W. T. Sawyer, of Teddington, will row Pedgrieff, for £15 (open for £25) a side, from Putney to Mortlake.

ADAM BOAT CLUB.—The next general meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Holloway, on Monday next, November 8, when officers for the coming season will be appointed.

MORTLAKE TRADERS' ROWING CLUB.—Some members and friends of the above respectable club had a dinner on Saturday last at the King's Arms, in honour of Messrs. W. H. Lawrence and Samsel, who, it will be remembered, rowed last Saturday, when via the water was victorious. The guests were entertained by some singing during the evening. The same competitors contended again on Saturday, November 24, when Wilbforce rows in a second-hand funny, and Samsel in a water-bomb, the latter giving 30 seconds start instead of a minute, as on Sunday.

SUBURBAN ROWING REGATTA CLUB.—There was a large and influential gathering of the supporters of this club, including the Mayor of Hull, at the annual dinner held on Friday, at the Victoria Hotel, Queen-street, Hull. Mr. Toogood, the secretary, took occasion to refer to the victory over the Tyne and Colleen Bawn; and he hoped next year they would win with the Champion crew of the Thames. Toast and song followed.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—WOMEN MADE RIGHT.—Every day that any bodily suffering is permitted to continue, renders it more certain to become chronic or dangerous. Holloway's Pills, for the purification of the blood, are well adapted for any irregularity of the human body, and should be taken when the stomach is disordered, the liver deranged, the kidneys inactive, the bowels are constipated, the blood is impure, the system is generally debilitated, and those who are weak and infirm through imperfect digestion, may make themselves stout and strong by Holloway's excellent Pills. A few doses of these pills usually regulate the most painful and distressing irregularities of the system, from which they thoroughly free the alimentary canal and completely restore its natural power and action.

PEDESTRIANISM.

MATCHES TO COME.

NOVEMBER.

- 2, 3.—St. John's College, Oxford, Athletic Sports.
 9.—Bowers and Williams—880 yards, 25 a side, Aston Cross, Birmingham.
 9.—Nichols and Robertson—1,000 yards, 25 a side, Britannia Grounds, Tipton.
 6.—Lunn and Whitehead—100 yards, 25 a side, Royal Oak Grounds, Burnt Tree, near Dudley.
 10.—Nichols and Robertson—1,000 yards, 25 a side, C. Y. Grounds, Manchester.
 10.—Connolly and Buckley—300 yards, 25 a side, Victoria Race Ground, Leeds.
 10.—Austin and Prosser—150 yards, 25 a side, near Ritzum, Kent.
 10.—Cameron and Hunter—100 yards, 25 a side, Row.
 10.—Bry and Hilton—880 yards, 25 a side, Coppenhall Grounds, Manchester.
 10.—Howarth and Hoyle—160 yards, 25 a side, Higginshaw Grounds, O. H. A. U.
 10.—Lewley and Roberts—2 miles, 25 a side, Seabrook Grounds, Walsby.
 10.—Bennett and Hughes—120 yards, 25 a side, Royal Oak Grounds, Manchester.
 10.—Latham and Tablin—100 yards, 25 a side, Wigan Borough Grounds.
 11.—Austin and Parkes—400 yards, 25 a side, Parkes to have five yards start, Row.
 11.—Holt and Arly—80 yards, 25 a side, Hyde Park Grounds, Sheffield.
 11.—Holt and Stephens—160 yards, 25 a side, Brompton.
 11.—Holt and Russell—100 yards, 25 a side, Seabrook Grounds, Wednesbury.
 11.—Fawcett and Richards—120 yards, 25 a side, Treat Bridge Ground, Nottingham.
 11.—Mr. C. Dunc's prizes: money, &c., Royal Oak Grounds, Burnt Tree Grounds, near Dudley.
 11.—Sherwood and Hough—410 yards, 25 a side, Sherwood receiving eight yards, Aston Cross Grounds, Birmingham.
 11.—Ashmore and Parkinson—the latter with 100 yards start, four laps round Hyde Park, London.
 11.—Lee, Margatson, and Frostwick—sweepstakes of £7 10s each, 300 yards, Shipley Lane, Audenshaw.
 11.—Mann and Shaw—240 yards, 25 a side, Victoria Race Ground, Leeds.
 11.—Sherwood and Thomas—420 yards, 25 a side, on the Newham-road, near Gloucester.
 11.—Brough and Poinson—120 yards, 25 a side, Wolverhampton.
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DECEMBER.

- 1.—Leonard and Willis—120 yards, 25 a side, Royal Oak Grounds, Manchester.
 1.—Alison and Rogers—880 yards, 25 a side, Rogers to have 15 yards start, Brompton.
 1.—Hunt and Arnold—120 yards, 25 a side, Aston Cross Grounds, Birmingham.
 1.—Hall and Rafferty—400 yards, 25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
 1.—Alison and Richards—880 yards, 25 a side, Coppenhall Grounds, Manchester.
 27.—Mr. A. Milner's All England 215 Yards Handicap, £80, Hyde Park Grounds, Sheffield.

BROMPTON.

WEST LONDON GROUNDS.—Messrs Rogers will give £13 10s. to be run for in a handicap, distance 130 yards, on Monday, November 26, and Saturday, December 1—first prize, £10; second, £5; third, £1. The first race will be run on Monday, November 26, with Mr. T. Rogers, West London Grounds, Brompton. Anyone entering falsely will be disqualified. Stamps taken.

WEST LONDON GROUNDS.—Besides others well attended on Saturday last, there being (besides others), three races, for which Mr. Kenneth, of Westminster, gave prizes. The four miles walking handicap was won by Howes, who receiving a start of 440 yards, held the lead from beginning to end, and came in easily 80 yards ahead of Targett, 300; 2, Evans, 440. Three others started, but were disqualified, viz., Marks, 440; Jobbins, scratch; and Randall, 300.
 880 YARDS HANDICAP.—Twenty-six runners. First heat: Downing, Novice, 40; 3, won easily by four yards. Eight others started.
 150 YARDS HANDICAP.—Twenty-six runners. First heat: Downing, 13 yards start, w.o. Second heat: Halaban, 14; 1, Pollock, 16; 2, Stevens, 7; 3, won by two yards. Third heat: Plumb, 18; 1, Stevens's Novice, 14; 2, won by two yards and a half.
 Fourth heat: Bartholomew, 12; 1, Carley, 6; 2, Walham, 13; 3, won by three yards. Fifth heat: Watling, 10; 1, Clabban, 14; 7, 0; a dead heat. In running off Watling won easily. Final heat: Halaban won by a short foot; Bartholomew, 2; Plumb, 3.
 ROUGH AND GOUM.—Thirteen men next ran 200 yards, the former winning by a foot.

MARTIN AND BRYAN.—A half-mile spin for a "tenner" between these men brought the sports to a conclusion. Martin won easily.

HACKNEY WICK.

There was but a meagre company present on Monday to witness the sport. The first event was between Frank Inman and Fred Skelton, both of Finsbury, who met to decide their one mile race, the stakes being £5 a side. The result is soon told, for Inman won a very large race by nearly 100 yards; the time was between six and seven minutes.

James Doyle of Bethnal-green, and George Hollingbury, of Hackney, next made their appearance for their four-mile walking match, in which Doyle received one minute start, for a stake of £15 a side. The betting opened at 6 to 4 on Doyle, who had been trained by Harry Andrews, who attended him. Mr. Golden waited on Hollingbury. The referee, Mr. H. Woodcock, gave the word "go" to Doyle, who covered one lap in the allotted time. Hollingbury went away at a good pace, but his style of walking evidently did not go down with the majority. When one mile had been got over Hollingbury had gained half a lap, and continued to decrease the distance, and in going the sixteenth time round passed Doyle, who walked in an unquestionably fair style, and at the finish Hollingbury won by five yards only. Both were much exhausted. Time, 32min. Umpires, O. Clarke for Doyle, and Hollingbury for his brother.

We are pleased to find that Mr. Baum has placed his ground at the disposal of the sufferer at the Theatre for a benefit, which takes place on Monday, November 12.

BOW.

PRINCE OF WALES'S GROUNDS.—The preliminary heats of John Goulding's 100 Yards Handicap, for a challenge belt, were run on Saturday, and brought out the following winners, who may compete in the final next Saturday:—Cox, 11 yards start; Isaacs, 10; A. Goulding, 14; Challin's Lad, 13; Boucher, 12; Ingram, 11; Hartley, 12; Colquhoun, 10; Green, 10; Charles, 11; Arlington, 9; Beaufort's Novice, 11; Watson, 11; Taylor, 10; Atkins, 10.

FREE HALF-MILE HANDICAP.—The proprietor of these grounds (Mr. Russell) presented prizes for a Free Half-mile Handicap, to be contested for by men in the service of the North London Railway Company. The heats were run as follows:—First heat: Bradbury, 30 yards start, 1; Bennett, 10; 2, won easily. Second heat: A. Goulding, 20; 1, Unsworth, 50; 2, won easily. Third heat: Anderson, 25; 1, Cotton, 25; 2, won by five yards. Fourth heat: H. Easton, 25; 1, Seyville, 30; 2, won with ease. Final heat: Goulding was starter, 2; Easton, 3; won by eight yards. John Goulding was starter, and Mr. H. Woodcock referee.

MILITARY SPORTS IN COMMEMORATION OF BALAKLAVA.—The 4th Queen's Own Hussars held their anniversary sports at Piccadilly Circus, Edinburgh, on Thursday, in commemoration of the battle of Balaklava. The Sacrament Feast being held the same day a large concourse of people assembled to witness the sports. The business was conducted by Sergeants Powell, Tomlin, Ferguson, and T. M. Barley; the whole arrangement coming off in a satisfactory manner. The following are the results:

Handicap Race, open to privates, three times round the square.—Mr. McConnell, 1; Walmsey, 2; Lewis, 3; Jukes, 4.
 Corporal's Race: Shepherd, 1; Fox and Evans ran a dead heat.
 Sergeant's Race: Adams, 1; Brown, 2; Curran, 3.
 Tossing the Ball: Pickett, 1; Demery, 2; Tope, 3.
 Sack Race: Pompey, 1; Lewis, 2; Orrick, 3.
 Wheelbarrow Race: Christy, 1; Robertson, 2; Pool, 3.
 Boys' Race: Field, 1; Greenwood, 2; Seaton, 3.
 Old Soldiers' Race: Howarth, 1; Heathcote, 2; McDonald, 3.
 Race Open to all Ranks: Walmsey, 1; Topp, 2; Toples, 3.
 Sprinting Match: W. L. Lewis, 1; Field, 2.
 Sergeant's Race: Brown, 1; Cullen, 2.
 Corporal's Race: Adams, 1; Evans, 2.
 Band Race: Toples, 1; Mills, 2.
 The sports terminated about six o'clock.

BIRMINGHAM.

ASTON CROSS GROUNDS.—Two amateurs, Messrs W. B. S. and F. B., ran a mile match on these grounds on Saturday last. The former, who was in fine trim, was looked after by a friend; F. B. by the veteran, George Hill. They got away together, W. B. S. quickly taking the lead, his opponent in close attendance. At the fourth lap, F. B. came up and challenged for the lead, but his opponent putting on a spurt, W. B. S. and went in without a struggle. Betting even.
 Mr. A. Roberts referee. F. B., who is thirty-six years of age, although apparently in good trim, sustained a trifling injury during a trial.

LIVERPOOL.

STRAWBERRY HOTEL GROUNDS.—About 100 persons were present at these grounds on Saturday last, to witness a spin of 120 yards, for £5 a side, between Mr. M. Nulty and Thomas Lawler. A great deal of excitement was displayed by the persons of each man and betting was level, M. Nulty having the biggest "bank" behind him. Both were in pretty good fettle, and were equally confident. Bill Johnson had been looking after the condition of M. Nulty, D. Goodman doing the needful for Lawler. After about seven minutes had been wasted at the scratch, the men bounded away, M. Nulty getting two yards the best of the start, which he gradually increased, winning in good style by about four yards. Mr. Thomas Bragg officiated as stakeholder and referee.

RALPH HUGHES, of Wigan, leaving that David Goodman wishes to match himself against him in a Liverpool 100 yards spin. Hugh will run from 120 to 150 yards, for £25 a side; or he will enter into a sweepstakes with Quail and Goodman, the like distance, for £25 each, the winner to take the £75 and all the gate money. If agreeable to run in Wigan or Liverpool in three or four weeks from signing articles, a match can be made any night this week, at James Williams's Grapes Vaults, Stanley-trot, Liverpool.

MANCHESTER.

CITY GROUNDS.—About 900 visitors assembled at this favourite enclosure on Saturday last. According to the programme, there was to have been a jumping match, a foot race, and a rabbit-coursing sweepstakes. The last-named, however, was the only event brought to a satisfactory conclusion. The jumping match was between W. S. Smith of Bradshaw, and J. Jarrold of Heywood, to jump at run hop, two strides and jump, for £10 a side. Smith was up to time, but Jarrold did not appear, and the referee, Mr. James Holden, ordered Smith to jump, and then awarded him the stakes. Jarrold subsequently appeared and exhibited much apparent chagrin at his rival walking off with the stakes, and at the same time that his rival had been present apparently from his mistaking the hour at which they were to make their final staking.

The next "good thing" was a quarter of a mile race between James Bowers, of Drayton, and Gideon Parkes, of Openshaw, for £10 a side, in which Bowers was the favourite at 5 to 4. The betting began by Parkes being made the favourite at 5 to 4 on him. This continued almost up to the time that the peds appeared to perform their allotted task, when the betting suddenly veered round, and the same odds were laid on Bowers. The backers of Parkes seemed much surprised at this change in the aspect of the odds, but his first surprise was considerably augmented when he naturally assumed that Bowers speedily overlapped an octave and of 10 to 1 were laid on him. It soon became apparent that there was a screw loose somewhere, and "voices loud in anger rose on the evening air." The peds in the meantime proceeded to their respective posts, but before they succeeded in leaving their marks the crowd crowded on to the track, and a few "down-pessantries" took place, and the principals retired to the dressing-room. Mr. Waddicar, who was to have officiated in the double capacity of stakeholder and referee, did all in his power to make matters right, but the crowd would not be pacified until all bets were declared void, and the money returned. This did not seem to suit the Parkes party, and they determined to let the race run. The referee gave the peds ten minutes to prepare themselves for the contest, at the expiration of which time Bowers alone put in an appearance, and, having gone over the course, the referee declared him the winner. Parkes subsequently followed suit, but, of course, his performance was not attended to. Mr. Waddicar, who was naturally annoyed at the entire proceeding, and he threatened to deprive the participants of the benefit accruing from the gate-money.

BALL AND RAFFERTY.—These men have duly made good their second deposits for their 440 yards race, and W. Lang, of the Navigation Inn, Ancoats, is stakeholder.

NICHOLS AND ROBERTSON.—Another deposit, making £7 10s. each, has been made to Mr. James Holden, on account of the 1000 yards race, for £10 a side, on November 10, between W. H. Nichols, of Hulme, and J. Robertson, of Macclesfield.

DOYLE AND BRYAN.—The race was anything but favourable for the lovers of pedestrianism on Saturday night, when about 500 visitors were attracted to see a foot race and a rabbit-coursing sweepstakes. The first event decided was between Silverley Riley's Nettle, of Burnley, and John Wood's Lady, of Huddersfield, the weight of the former being under 200, while Lady had the privilege of being catch-weight. The sum at issue was £50, and betting opened at 6 to 4 on Nettle, but closed at the same odds on Lady. The race was very interesting, Nettle ultimately winning by ten yards. Mr. James Holden was referee, and Mr. Joseph Seymour acted as time-keeper.

The next race was over 180 yards between W. Whitehead of Todmorden, near Bradford, and W. Willcock, of Preston, for £25 a side. Betting opened at 5 to 4 on Whitehead, but the odds were speedily increased to 2 to 1, with little doing. Willcock early earned for himself the sobriquet of the "Flying Barber," but has been for some time past on the shelf, and although he took every care of himself in the invigorating district of Lymm, he was no juvenile opponent looked at the post on of a winner. Having taken up their positions, the starting point, both men set to work at "filigree," and wasted the allotted ten minutes. The pistol had then to be brought into requisition, and a very even start was effected. Whitehead, however, shortly after starting, taking up a slightly advanced position, which he did not increase, although he made the best use of his legs, and was within a yard of the tape, where he let himself go, and won easily by two yards. Whitehead was attended by Caton, of Old Park, and a friend, and Willcock had the kindly offices of two old pals in Tommy Morris and Joe Alderton. Mr. James Holden was stakeholder and referee, and Mr. Joseph Seymour acted as time-keeper.

BENNETT AND HUGHES.—Mr. Owen, of the Windmill Tavern, Tabbutt-street, and Mr. Hughes, of Collyhurst, and William Bennett, of the 120 yards race, for £10 a side, in which Hughes receives one yard start. The final deposit has to be made on November 9, the day preceding.

WILLIS AND LEONARD.—The 120 yards race between these residents of the neighbourhood of St. Paul, for £5 a side, goes on all right. Mr. James Hancock, of the Pelestrian Tavern, Greengate, Salford, is stakeholder.

RICHARDS, ALBION, AND NKAY.—These celebrated peds have now staked £15 each with the stakeholder, for their half-mile sweepstakes of £25 each, with a start of 100 yards, for £5 a side, goes on all right. Mr. James Hancock, of the Pelestrian Tavern, Greengate, Salford, is stakeholder.

MEERS, J. HOLDEN AND W. RICHARDS (the Welchman) will give a beautiful silver cup, first prize; second, £1 10s.; third, 10s.; distance, 300 yards; on December 15, when every would-be peder can do it himself before an immense company. Entrance, 1s.; acceptance, 1s. 6d. The entrance is not later than November 10, and the acceptance, 1s. 6d. J. Holden's, White Lion, Milgate, and accept the week following at J. Holden's, at the Black Horse, Oldham-road, Manchester; or at the grounds. Usual conditions.

DUDLEY.

BURNT TREE GROUNDS.—Sunday last witnessed a lively little spin of 100 yards, between B. Bailey, of Oldbury, and a Novice, the latter four yards start, for £5 a side. Bailey won the point gamely, but, unable quite to come up, the Novice won by a foot. Mr. Nuttall referee. Betting: 5 to 4 on Bailey.

Monday commenced 3 half-mile handspins, for money prizes (postponed from last week), the preliminary heats resulting as below:—First heat: J. Vale, 20 yards start, w.o. Second heat: J. Vale, 21, w.o. Third heat: W. Morris, 21, 1; T. Woodcock, Arnold, 6; 2, won easily. Fourth heat: T. Nichols, 21, w.o. Fifth heat: All absent. Sixth heat: G. King, 21, w.o. Seventh heat: All absent. Eighth heat: J. Bedford, 15, w.o. Ninth heat: W. Girling, 16, w.o. Tenth

heat: H. Smith, 21, 1; W. Nichols, 21, 2; G. Mole, Wals-I, scratch; 3; won by half a yard the champion, not trying. Eleventh heat: J. Webb, 19, w.o. Twelfth and Thirteenth heats: None showed.
 Fourteenth heat: H. Leach, 16, w.o. Fifteenth heat: J. Corbett, 20, w.o. Sixteenth heat: J. Hunter, 20, 1; W. Lo, 12, 2; won easily. Seventeenth heat: T. Hadley, 14, w.o. Eighteenth, nineteenth, and twentieth heats: All absent. Twenty-first heat: E. Millard, 16, w.o. Twenty-second heat: All absent. Twenty-third heat: W. Parslow, 16, w.o. Twenty-fourth heat: J. Lambert, 10, w.o. Twenty-fifth heat: J. Lester, 18, w.o. Twenty-sixth heat: J. Lee, 16, w.o. This completed the programme, the paucity of runners being mainly attributable to the counter-attraction of several races at the rival grounds at Tipton, which kept the pedestrian public to a late hour. Mr. Slapard officiated as starter; Mr. F. Bald ck, ref. rec. The final heats will be run on Monday next, at two o'clock.

W. Nicholls, of Langley Green, and F. Parsons, of Gosy Hill, are matched to run 100 yards, for £5 a side, on Monday, November 19.

STALYBRIDGE.

RECREATION GROUNDS.—At these grounds, on Saturday, there were two events set down for decision, which attracted close upon a thousand spectators. The first was a spin of 200 yards, for £15 a side, between Charles Whitehead, of Millbrook, and Thomas Garside, of Mossley. About six or seven weeks ago these peds met at the above grounds in a spin of 200 yards for a "river," when Whitehead, although backed at odds, was defeated easily. Not relishing his defeat, the present match was made upon the grounds at the time, and it has since been looked forward to with considerable interest by the friends of both parties. Each man went into strict training, and stripped to the buff in good form. Another easy victory was relied upon by Garside's friends, but the sequel proved that they reckoned without their host. Garside was installed favourite at 5 to 4, and a considerable amount was invested at this price. They went off at an even start, but Whitehead had the best of his man, and he steadily increased the confidence of his friends by an easy victory. Mr. H. Wild was referee, and Mr. Seward stakeholder.

ROOTH AND HOLZ.—These youthful peds next entered the enclosure to decide their merits in a quarter of a mile race for a "river." Both wore their names, and both received five yards start. The betting was at even. Holt won by four or five yards.

MILLS AND SWIFT.—William Mills, of Oldham (the winner of Mr. Seville's handicap), and Luke Swift, of Fallowfield, have signed articles and deposited £1 a side in the hands of Mr. Seville, Crown and Cusidion, Oldham, to run at Higginshaw Grounds, 200 yards race, for £10 a side, on November 10 next. Mills receiving ten yards start instead.

ASHWORTH AND AIREY.—On account of this match, which was set down to be run at Higginshaw Grounds on Saturday next, fresh articles were signed, fixing the time to take place on the same day at Coppenhall Grounds, Newton Heath. £15 a side is now in the hands of Mr. Seville, stakeholder.

NEWCASTLE.

FENHAM PARK GROUNDS.—In addition to the conclusion of the Handicap Dog Race on Saturday last, there were several other attractions at these grounds. The weather, however, was most unfavourable, and but a poor attendance. The first event was a 100 yards spin, for £20, between R. Raiton, of Newcastle, and Wallace, of Gateshead. Raiton was slightly the favourite, and after a fair start he managed to justify the confidence of his backers by getting past the tape first by a yard. Wallace entered himself as an unknown, why, we cannot say, for there was not a man on the ground who did not know his name.

An hour afterwards G. Rounder and A. Penman, both hailing from Shields, turned out for a race of 100 yards, £10 a side being the stakes. This was considered the event of the day, and brisk betting took place. 6 to 4 was at first offered (with few takers) on Rounder; then something happened up between the appearance of the men, a post and their start to alter the conditions of the race, and 5 to 4 might easily have been got about Penman. There was plenty of time for wagering, as the precious pair spent half an hour in false starts and being rubbed down—"blacking" (Anglic) "blowing" the pimper term it was called, then, the referee ordered them to start, and the race was on, by which a fine is inflicted on the competitors. This had the desired effect. Penman at last got a level start with his opponent, but after a good race Rounder won by half a yard, to the utter astonishment of the Penman party.

The next race was between J. Roay and R. Saint, both of New Beworth, for 100 yards, for £15 a side, and 80 yards race, for £10 a side. Not much time was lost at the post, the men getting away quickly. Roay could never make up the gap he gave the other man, and Saint consequently won in a winner by a yard and a half.

Two non-professionals competed in the last race of 100 yards, for a five shilling purse. They advertised themselves as unknown, although Purvis, one of them, is a well-known peder. The other was Clark, and the affair arose out of tar parlour chaff. Purvis was the better starter, and this availed him to some extent in getting away first. He was the favourite, too, at slight odds. The result proved that his opponent had no chance with him, as he won with ease by three yards.

There was further a dog race of 200 yards, for £10, between Mr. Kennedy's dog Grip and Mr. Simpson's dog Sprin, but it did not create much interest. The dog Grip, after a fast race, won by about a yard and a half. Even betting.

HUDDERSFIELD.

GREEN STILE PARK.—Upwards of 1,000 persons were present here on Saturday afternoon to witness the novice handicap, distance 160 yards, in which Mr. J. Briggs, of Lockwood, gave £5 to be run for. The race was very interesting, and was decided in a most exciting manner. A very one winning his heat had his entrance money back. About half-past five o'clock the three competitors left in came to the mark, and on the pistol being fired they bounded away. After a splendid race the first prize of £5 was won by E. Dent, of Linley Top, 40 yards start; second, 15, by W. H. North, of Almondbury, 40 yards start; third, 15, by E. H. Huddersfield, 45; won by a foot, six inches between second and third.

W. Smith, of Ossett, and E. Rowley, of Linthwaite, are to meet here on this day (Saturday) to decide their race of 200 yards, for £25 a side, in which Rowley has four yards start allowed. £15 a side is already down in the hands of Mr. J. Crowe, of Lockwood, who is to be final stakeholder and referee. To be on the mark at four o'clock.

W. Smith, of Ossett, and A. Shaw, of Almondbury, are matched to run 300 yards, for £20 a side, at these grounds, on Saturday, Dec. 1. £5 a side is in the hands of Mr. J. Dulton, of Huddersfield, who is to be final stakeholder and referee.

MACCLESFIELD.

MOSS ROSE GROUNDS.—These grounds were well attended on Saturday last, 120 yards race, for £25, between T. Harrison and W. Jackson, both of Macclesfield. The betting was at 5 to 4 on Harrison; and, when the preparatory matters had been adjusted, the competitors came to the mark. The lead was taken by Harrison, who, when half the distance had been covered, headed his opponent by two yards, and eventually won by nearly three yards.

STANNINGLEY.

ST. THOMAS'S GROUNDS.—There was a fair muster at these grounds on Saturday last, to witness the 120 yards spin betwixt the brothers, J. Boocock and C. Dewhurst. The betting was at 5 to 4 on Dewhurst, the event was confined to 30 to 18 on Boocock, only a small amount depending on the issue. After cutting the allotted time to write the pistol was brought into requisition, and a capital start was effected. They ran together for about fifty yards, when Dewhurst took the lead, and, never being headed, won easily by four yards. Mr. O. Bennett was stakeholder, and H. Price referee.

OLDHAM.

BUTTERWORTH AND PARROW.—These peds both hailed from Shaw, and tested their merits in a 200 yards spin for £5, but erorith ceiling five yards start. Betting even. Butterworth won easily. They went by pistol, and Mr. Greaves was referee.

ASHWORTH AND AIREY.—On account of this match, 200 yards for £25 a side is to be run at these grounds on Saturday next, Mr. Seville holds £15 a side.

AIREY AND RUSHTON.—For this spin of 200 yards, for £50, at these grounds on the 10th of November, Mr. Seville has deposited with him £15 a side.

LEEDS

VICTORIA GROUNDS.—NUTTER AND WHITTAKER. The match at a run, hop, two strides, and a jump, between S. Nutter, of Leeds, and S. Whittaker, of Newton, is progressing, and takes place at the above grounds this day (Saturday), for £10 a side, towards which Mr. J. Forrest, of the Market Tavern, who is stakeholder and referee, has received £5 a side; the residue to be staked on the day. To jump at four o'clock.

SHAW AND MALEHAM.—The 140 yards spin between David Shaw, of Northerton, and Isaac Maleham, of Cleckheaton, is also going on at the above grounds this day (Saturday), for £10 a side, towards which Mr. J. Forrest, of the Market Tavern, who is stakeholder and referee, has received £5 a side. They run here on November 24, for £20 a side, Maleham receiving a yard start.

W. George, of London, will run E. Smith, of London, 120 or 150 yards level for his own sum; or he will run T. Paine, of Brighton, 120 yards level for his own sum, and will give or take £1 10s. to run either match in Brighton or at the Brompton Grounds, 120 yards level. An early answer will be attended to.

MR. VETTERMAN MOUNTJOY'S BENEFIT.—The above well-known pug will take a benefit at Nottingham on Tuesday night next. A post-ponement from the date originally fixed was found necessary in consequence of Mountjoy, who has been laid up for six weeks, being too unwell to go to meet his friends, but he trusts they will now rally round him.

Young Mountjoy (son of the veteran Mountjoy), who is ten years of age is matched to walk at Hackney Wick on Monday next 2 miles in 20 minutes, for £2 a side. He is backed from Mr. Heming's, White Horse, Holloway-street, Blackfriars-road.

J. Fox of Cambridge, will run Scott the Mago, 100 yards for £10 or £20 a side, at Cambridge. If for £20, will allow him £1 for expenses. Articles sent to J. Rich, Portland Arms, Cambridge, will meet with immediate attention.

Young Gillett, of Hammesmith, cannot allow Howes, of Lambeth, a start, but will let him from one mile upwards, for not less than £10 a side, and meet him at the Spotted Dog, in the Strand, any time to draw up articles.

AQUATICS.—(CONTINUED)

GEORGE CARR AND W. HORNSBY ON THE TYNE.
On Monday those who loved it for £10 a side, the distance being 100 yds. in the High Level Bridge to the Meadows House. The men contested in Harry Clasper's open outrigger skiff. Betting was in favour of Carr, as much as 2 to 1 being offered. The competitors had to be in their boats at 7 1/2 a.m., and notwithstanding the early hour, there was a number of spectators. The mystery steamer was engaged to be the official tow, Mr. J. Henderson being selected as referee; and J. J. Gilson stood umpire for Carr, and A. B. Bay for Hornsby. After something like an hour was spent, they went to the post, and after drifting something like 100 yards, Hornsby started with a full half-length, the best of it. Scarcely had they rowed 50 yards when Hornsby took a short stroke across the bows of Carr's boat, which had the effect of nearly causing a collision, but as Carr worked his left hand admirably the boats got clear. When they passed Davidson's Mill Carr showed nearly a boat's length in front, and his strokes were so powerful, that at the Little House Quay he was clear with the lengths to spare. Any odds were now offered on Carr, who kept rowing within himself in splendid style, and of the Skiffers' Burn he led by nearly 80 yards. At this point, the gap got gradually larger, until passing the Grindstone Quay, where Hornsby, seeing all lost, went round on some timber, and afterwards rampled his boat and rowed leisurely to finish the distance in 20 min 55 sec. This is the fourth time in which Carr has been successful, and no doubt if he is careful, he will prove a tough customer for any of the young 'uns at the present day.

CLASPER AND TAYLOR.

FREDERICK MATON

The defeat of Taylor in his match with Clasper (which will be found fully reported in another column) is not satisfactory to Taylor's friends, they issued another challenge, and the men met again on Wednesday. The contest between Seaward Bridge and the head of Annie's Pond, distance a mile and a quarter. There was again a large number of spectators a good race being expected. They rowed very level for the first quarter of a mile, when Taylor forged slightly ahead, and eventually won somewhat easily by a length.

BILLIARDS.

JOHN ROBERTS AND JOHN ROBERTS, JUN.

A match took place at Oxford, on Friday night last, between the Champion and his son, the former giving 300 points in 1,000. Roberts was in splendid form at the commencement of the game, and caught the "young 'un" soon after passing 500. The juvenile, however, would not be denied, and played some good breaks of 82, 68, and 60 several times, again stealing away, and eventually winning, notwithstanding that the Champion played with his wonted coolness and precision.

An Amateur who backed himself against young Roberts, on taking 450 in 1,000, was defeated on the following evening, after an interesting game, Roberts winning by 32.

John Roberts, jun., will play young Cook a match of 1,000 up even, for £25 or £50 a side, once within a month, on a neutral table.

Thomas Morris, of the Load of Hay, Praed-street, Paddington, will play W. Dutton, of the Philharmonic, a match at billiards, 1,000 up even, for £50 a side. Morris has choice of tables, or he will take 1,000 in 1,000, and play at the Philharmonic.

William Dutton will accept A. Hughes's challenge, and play him 1,000 up, for £250 a side, and toss for choice of table, to play at the Philharmonic, and the winner to take the door money after all expenses are paid.

It is likely that the proposed match between Roberts and Bennett, the former giving 300 in 1,000, for £100 a side will fall through. A tender side has been, however, staked.

Messrs. Hughes and Bennett, the two best players in England bar one, will play 1,000 up even on Thursday, November 8, at the Rose Tavern, 12, Monkwell-street, City. Play to commence at six o'clock precisely. Admission, 2s. 6d.

BILLIARD DIRECTORY.

Roberts, J. (Champion), The Wellington Piccadilly, and ditto, jun., The Guildhall Coffee House, Gresham-street, City; Dutton, W., The Philharmonic, Tottenham; Hitchen, gone to Australia; Bennett, J. Peacock, Islington; Hughes, G., the Horn Tavern, Little Knight Rider street, Doctors'-commons; Hughes, A., Blue Laid, Ludgate-hill; Morris, T., Load of Hay, Praed-street, Paddington; Jones, S., Wheat-sheaf, Islington Green; Muthery, G., Twickenham and Hammesmith; Evans, H., St. James's Hall.

Notice.—During the winter months, it is our intention to pay special attention to this branch of news, and our readers may rely that no pains will be spared in rendering the most complete accounts of matches, and treating generally of the scientific game. For the information of our readers we append a list of the "crack" players from whom at all times any information may be gained respecting the game.

TOTAL LOSS OF THE SHIP TICKLER.—Intelligence was received in Liverpool, on Wednesday, of the total loss of the Liverpool ship Tickler, while on a voyage to Havana. The Tickler was owned in Liverpool, by Messrs. Friend and Co., and was commanded by Capt. Friend, the owner of the ship. The wreck took place in the Bahamas, on Eleuthera, and as far as is at present known the crew escaped. In addition to the loss of the Tickler, it is reported that no less than nine ships went ashore at the same time and place, and became total wrecks.

Theatrical and Musical.

SUMMARY.

Our this week's record of theatrical enterprise is again pretty full, and we are glad to be able to say that public patronage goes fairly hand in hand with the enterprise practised. The theatres generally are thoroughly well attended, and of course, remaining the great attraction, at DRURY LANE, where "The Comedy of Errors" has also played, thus enabling the management truthfully to call attention in their bills to the fact that they play Shakespeare and Goethe on the same evening. At Mr. Mellon's COVENT GARDEN concerts two new pianists—Miss Fanny Jarvis and Herr Coenen—have appeared. To-night (Saturday) Mlle. Patti closes her engagement. The principal feature in the programme this week has been the selections from "Faust," which have given great satisfaction. The proceedings at the HAYMARKET are repeated elsewhere. The last plays of "The Huguenot Captain" and "The Triple Alliance" at the PRINCESS'S approaches. Next week will be produced a new version of "Barney Rudge." No change has to be reported at the ADELPHI, LYCEUM, PRINCE OF WALES'S, NEW ROYALTY, and HOLBORN. Mr. Boucicault's third new drama this season, "Hunted Down; or, The Two Lives of Mary Leigh," is produced at the ST. JAMES'S to-night. The production of "The Frozen Deep" at the OLYMPIA is chronicled below. The only change at the ST. ANDREW has been the substitution of "Boots at the Swan" for "The Married Bachelor," Mr. E. Robinson appearing (first time, in London) in his father's famous part of Jacob Earwig. The opening of ASLEY'S for the season, and the coming at SADBLES' WELLS, the SURREY, and the VICTORIA, are reported in the adjacent columns. A new nautical drama, by Mr. J. Paulson, called "The Storm Signal," has been produced at the Gaiety. At the ALEXANDRA the burlesque, "Cassiope," has given place, after a long run, to "Asmodeus." The bills at the other houses have stood as follows:—MARLBOROUGH: "Ebb and Flow," "London Labour and London Poor." BRITANNIA: "The Old Cherry Tree," "Edward the Black Prince." PATIENCE: "A Ten o'clock," "The Quaker of Lyons." BRIGHTON: "The Picklock of Paris," "William Tell."

HAYMARKET.

A piece so "Frenchy" as the "new comedy" by Mr. John Oxenford, produced at this house on Wednesday night last, and called "A Dangerous Friend," can hardly be said to have been adapted or taken from the French; and perhaps this is the reason why Mr. Oxenford does not say "adapted from the French" in his playbill. Indifferently propelled—head and shoulders—into the English would be nearer the mark. The drama, which is taken from Octave Feuillet's "La Tentation," a ten-year-old Parisian drama, professes to introduce us to what we might call the most English of English society—the society of the fox-hunting, feast-giving, English country gentleman of the old time; the society that John Leech delighted to honour—indeed, to adore. The drama is a good one, and grounds the action of this drama lies exclusively, and in one of the principal characters in the piece—Sir Lancelot Livingston—is, thanks to Mr. Howe, his red coat, and his top-boots, the very Man of the West.

For all this, the characters, from beginning to end, flopping down upon their knees to their neighbours' wives, and nobody thinks anything of it except when it comes to his own wife's turn; when he of course has resort to the eminently English and equally modern institution, the duello. So much for the morality of the new "comedy," and its relation to real life. For the rest, it is smartly written enough, and has several good characters. Next to having been written for so much money, the new piece has probably been written for so many Matthews—for two Matthews, the first—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Matthews. Mr. Matthews is tolerably well off in the rather worn, but in his hands still immensely amusing, character of everybody's friend. He plays one Samuel Handman—a man who having no affairs (and "affairs" in this comedy means intrigues more particularly than does the phrase usually), of his own, he being (unhappily, as says this comedy) so far removed from being a "dangerous" man as to be above, (or as the comedy wittily says below) suspicion—i.e., the go-between, the humble fish-and-cherry, of the sort. This, as we have said, is Mr. Matthews's husband, a highly amusing character. Mrs. Matthews is not so fortunate in her part of Marian, the English wife of the English squire, Sir Lancelot Livingston, who, notwithstanding that she is the mother of a marriageable daughter, has lovers galore—has as many lovers in fact as has that daughter, and gives them almost as much encouragement. For her behoof the author has evidently scraped together a good deal of detestable French sentiment; but though the lady acts throughout very finely, and in parts with great power, her material is against her. The rest of the acting is also admirable. Mr. Howe makes, as we have said, a fine may to fox-hunting squire, Miss Nelly Moore a charming Amelia, daughter to Sir Lancelot, Messieurs Chippendale and Laws two magnificent mothers-in-law, and Miss Hill a charming, though snaky, Mrs. Winthrop. One principal character, however, we have not yet mentioned. It is that of the principal Don Giovanni of the piece—the "Dangerous Friend" par excellence, Angus Mandeville. It is played by a debutant, a young gentleman who has often been reported upon favourably in our Glasgow and Liverpool correspondents, Mr. Kendall. Mr. Kendall, on this occasion had a high right character to perform, but the way in which he acquitted himself of his task was highly promising and secured for him at once the good opinion of the house. An exceedingly amusing, though almost wholly farcical, fourth act brought down the curtain with applause, thus converting into a "success" that which for the length of three acts looked very like as though it would be a failure. Calls for the actors and the author followed. On the first three evenings of the week "The Overland Route" and "The Critic" were given as last week. On Wednesday the Sir-Is Healey appeared in a new ballet. On the same evening "Grimshaw, Bagshaw, and Bradshaw" was revived, Mr. Buckstone appearing in his original part.

OLYMPIA.

The story of the origin of "The Frozen Deep" the drama by Mr. Wilkie Collins, which took the place of that absurdist of lately produced pieces, "The Wife-maker," upon these boards, on Saturday last, has been told by us before, but as the character now to it, we will tell it again, and that in the words of the playbill itself—"The 'Frozen Deep' was performed, for the first time, by an amateur company at the house of Mr. Charles Dickens, on the 6th of January, 1857. The next representations of this drama (by the same company) took place at the Gallery of Illustration, Regent-street, and at the Free Trade Hall, Manchester. It was specially performed on the evening of July 4th, 1859, by command of Her Majesty, before the Queen and the late Prince Consort. 'The Frozen Deep' (with alterations and additions) was expressly produced for these performances by the author in 1860, for the first time on the public stage." The first thing that occurs to us after witnessing the drama, and recalling these details of its origin, is a sense of burning shame to think that so fine a play should have been within the reach of our managers since 1857, and that there should not have been one amongst them equal to the task of securing and producing it. Here was a drama, not only written, but tried, and yet it has been, for ten years, while the managers have been crying "We can't get it," and "We can't get it," and we are afraid we cannot conscientiously award much praise for prescience to the management that produces it. It seems

to have come to the surface now by a mere fluke. A month ago there was not so much as a whisper heard about its production. On the contrary, there was a Tom Taylor drama, warranted beforehand, as all Tom Taylor dramas are, to run through a season or two, on the point of being produced. Had it not been for the unlooked for and summary damping of "The White Slave," received, as we are afraid "The Frozen Deep" would have had a remarkably good chance of spending another ten years upon the shelf. Had this piece been produced as it should have been, by one or other of our "enterprising managers" ten years ago, what might not have been the result? The field of speculation spreads so wide at the mere thought that we dare not enter upon it further than this. Had the piece been so produced, and become popular, as it undoubtedly now will, by this we might have had in Mr. Wilkie Collins a good dramatist—a thing that we much want—instead of the bad novelist—a thing that we certainly do not want. From these remarks our readers will glean that we have a high opinion of the play. We have a very high opinion of it. We think it is many long years since a play of serious interest was produced at all approaching it in merit. Some may be inclined to call "The Frozen Deep" a "sensational" drama. The dramatist has certainly seized upon the materials that "sensational" dramatists attempt to grasp and wield for their cherished "effects"; but beyond this there is no ground for mentioning Mr. Wilkie Collins as a "sensational" dramatist in the same breath. Mr. Collins wields the elements we speak of with the art that the great dramatists of bygone days wielded them, and so produces results quite different to those produced by your ordinary "sensational" dramatist. In the new drama we have trances and visions; but under the touch of Mr. Wilkie Collins they have the deep poetic interest that attaches to the preternatural manifestations in "Hamlet" and "The Duchess of Malfi," and that, too, in spite of the fact that the modern dramatist deals with men and women, of as the playwrights, "the present time." The story, though wonderfully powerful, is simply itself. Frank Aldersley (Mr. H. J. Montague), the betrothed of Clara Vernon (Miss Lydia Poole), has, at the opening of the drama, been absent a year or more on an Arctic voyage. News of the voyagers has for some months been lacking; and Clara, brooding and heart sick, forbodes what is indeed the truth, that her lover's party are frozen up in the ice regions. This she sees, or fancies she sees, in a vision. She sees more. One Richard Wardour (Mr. H. Neville), a rejected suitor of hers, and a man of a wild and ungovernable temper, has, some time prior to these events, parted with her, leaving her to fight against his successful rival, and now she sees in her visions this same Wardour, a companion, and a mischief-doing companion, of Frank Aldersley in the Arctic fastnesses. These latter visions also turn out to be true. The two men, personally unknown to each other, have, by a mysterious fatality, come together as members of the crews of two ships locked up together in the "Frozen Deep." By means of as finely conceived a piece of dramatic manipulation as we recollect to have met with, the morose and vengeful Wardour—who, however, is not only morose and vengeful, not a mere conventional stage villain—becomes aware of the fact that the man he lives only to find with him in those solitary regions; and he thereupon is prompted to wreak his long-entrenched hatred. He contrives an expedition that shall take him abroad along with his intended victim, and on the journey goes so far as, upon more than one occasion, to raise his hand with murderous intent against his unsuspecting companion. After a time suffering comes upon the two; and starvation, shipwreck, and what not, seem likely to do on Frank Aldersley the work that Wardour has, as yet, failed at. But as the sickened Frank grows weak, Wardour's better nature grows strong; and, in the end, his thirst for revenge gives place to a solicitude for the life of the chosen, and, as he feels, worthily chosen of his still dear lost love, that he saves that life at the sacrifice of his own. The story is wonderfully simple, wonderfully clearly and succinctly told, and wonderfully and absorbingly interesting. The writing is for the most part lucid, and excellent without being "smart." Here and there Mr. Collins's old novel style breaks out. Here and there the characters show a little of the style peculiar to one another, but ultra-detective style peculiar to the other. Fourteen, Chapter Twenty-three; Hester Hornum's Cross-narrative, or "The Statement of the Knife-boy's Maternal Aunt"; but, considering how prolix the author is in his novels, the drama is a marvel of conciseness. Story, character, and episode are alike, for the most part, brought out by strokes the merest few. Perhaps the small attempt at humour—through the one character of John Want, the discontented ship's cook—is a failure; but we are not aware that any one looks to Mr. Collins for humour, or would be particularly pleased to find him supplying it. Mr. Collins is a born dramatist whose forte is plot, plot, plot—the very dramatist the managers have been sighing for this many a day, though they have fought shy of him for ten years past. The acting throughout is exceedingly good; though, excepting in the parts of Richard Wardour and Clara Vernon, no great demand is made upon the actors individually. The character of Richard Wardour is an exceedingly fine one, and Mr. Neville was never better suited, and never played better than in it. Miss Poole also plays the arduous part of Clara Vernon in a manner of an unexceptionable and particularly powerful. Mr. H. J. Montague gives a fine and finished picture of the sick Frank Aldersley. He has but little material to work upon, but he makes that little go very far indeed. Mr. Horace Wigan is quiet and effective as Lieut. Crayford. Mr. Clayton has a still slighter part as Lieutenant Sylvester. Mr. Dominick Murray is droll in the only weak part in the piece, the comic part of John Want. Mrs. St. Henry plays very impressively the part of Clara's confidant, Lucy Crayford; and Mrs. Sheridan plays as usual pleasantly and intelligently as Mrs. Stevenson. The other characters are supported by Messrs. H. Cooper, J. Reeves, Franks, Miss Allison, and a very well conducted troupe of what, for want of a better word, we suppose we must call supers. The scenery, by Mr. Hawes Craven, is up to the usual high mark of this theatre; the music, by Mr. Tully, is well selected and arranged, and the rest, not forgetting the falling snow, and the skin dresses of the arctic voyagers, bear the impress of Mr. Horace Wigan's unexcelled solo direction. The music was well received throughout; and Messrs. Montague, Craven, Montague, and Messames Foote and St. Henry were called before the curtain more than once during the evening. In answer to the call for the author, Mr. Wigan came forward and said that Mr. Wilkie Collins had felt so sure of success that he had started for Italy, where he (Mr. Wigan) would have the pleasure of appraising him by telegram of the reception accorded to his piece. On Saturday "The Frozen Deep" was preceded by "Dearest Mamma," in which Mr. Addison appeared; but since, that comedietta and Mr. Addison have disappeared from the bills. "No" has been the first piece during this week, and "The Quiet Family" has been the after-piece.

SADBLES' WELLS.

"Patience; or, the Purpose of a Life," the new three-act domestic drama by Mr. C. H. Stephenson, the well-known actor of the Adelphi Theatre, produced at this house on Saturday night last, is a rather ambitious and not altogether unsuccessful play. Its greatest faults are its obscurity of plot and diffuseness of action. Indeed, if it were not for the unmistakable flavour of the Yelverton case which envelops itself to the elucidation of the story, it would be a very inferior and unsatisfactory drama. Though the Yelverton case is certainly embodied in the story, the author does not seriously follow its details. Patience Proudley, the daughter of a Scotch

They were subsequently admitted to bail. Young in his personal recognizance of £150, and two sureties of £100 each; the others—themselves in £100 and two sureties of £50 each respectively. They will be tried at the ensuing session of the Central Criminal Court with, as is more than probable, others who will be charged before the magistrate.

ROBERT JEFFERSON.

We herewith give a portrait of Robert Jefferson, a youthful swimmer of no small merit, as the accompanying list of his performances will show. Jefferson first appeared in public on the 25th of August, 1864, being then in his sixteenth year. We hear little of him till the following year, when, on the 23rd of August, he carried off a silver cup and purse at Dudley. Since this period a long list of victories have rewarded the prowess of our youthful hero, to whom the following prizes have fallen:—A silver cup (diving long distance) at Birmingham, Oct. 23, 1865; gold breast-plate at Birmingham, July 4, 1866; silver cup and purse at Aston Pool, August 1, 1866; handsome 8-day timepiece and purse at Dudley (beating Frank Cavanagh), Aug. 13, 1866; silver goblet, Birmingham, Aug. 29, 1866; gold medal and purse at Kirby's Pool, near Birmingham (beating J. B. Johnson and W. Randle); and also silver medal and purse (beating F. Cavanagh) September 10, 1866.

INTERESTING ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISCOVERY.—ANCIENT STIRRUP IRON.

In the vicinity of Rudford, at a place called "Barber's Bridge," which spans Tibberton Brook, a small stream that crosses the turnpike-road, between Gloucester and Newent, an interesting relic has recently been discovered by some workmen employed in deepening the channel of the brook under the bridge. The relic in question is a stirrup of curious design and workmanship, beautifully inlaid with gilded steel in elaborate design, and is supposed to belong to the era of the "great rebellion" of the 17th century. This ancient stirrup has been deposited in the Gloucester Museum.

The name "Barber's Bridge," is evidently a corruption of "Barbarous Bridge," in allusion to a bloody skirmish which occurred there during the civil war, probably about the time that Gloucester was besieged by Charles I. in person. In the neighbourhood of Gloucester, many hard-fought contests took place between the Cavaliers and Parliamentarians, and evidences of these fierce military encounters are found from time to time. Some years ago, in the church at Rudford, the remains of many dead bodies were found under the floor of the edifice, bearing evident marks of being buried in haste, and without any formalities, whilst an excavation was being made for



ROBERT JEFFERSON, the Celebrated Swimmer.
(From a Photograph by Mr. James Giles, Bradford-street, Walsall.)

the purpose of constructing a vault. These remains, it was conjectured at the time, were those of men who had fallen in the skirmish.

NOVEL MODE OF COMMITTING SUICIDE.

The following extraordinary account of a determined attempt at suicide is gravely related by the *Epoca* of Madrid; but, as neither the name of the party nor the locality is mentioned, we must suppose that the whole statement is intended as a piece of pleasantry:—"The individual in question being tired of his life resolved to take such measures as must infallibly ensure his death. To that end he started for the sea shore provided with a ladder, a rope, a loaded pistol, a bottle of poison, and a box of matches. Having some time before discovered a post standing a little way out in the water, he fixed his ladder against it, and ascending fastened one end of the cord to the top and passed a slip knot around his neck, swallowed the poison, and striking a light set fire to his clothes, then placing the pistol to his ear, kicked away the ladder, but in so doing his hand swerved, and, as he fired at the same moment, the bullet, instead of penetrating his brain, divided the rope, and he fell into the sea, extinguishing his burning garments; also a quantity of salt water he swallowed caused him to throw up the poison he had taken, so that he scrambled on the shore, convinced that his time had not yet arrived."

SINGULAR ELOPEMENT.

A strange case came before the magistrate at Marylebone on Friday. A boy, professing to be seventeen years of age, but who looked two years younger, named Hull, was charged with stealing a teapot, together with various articles of bed and table linen, the property of a coach-builder at Wolverton. This, however, was not the gravamen of the charge. In point of fact the youth had stolen the prosecutor's wife, a lady who had been married to the prosecutor for nineteen years, and had a family! The boy had been in the habit of visiting at the house, and the coachmaker's wife formed an attachment to him, which resulted in their eloping together on Tuesday last, and coming to London, where they have been living together since. The prisoner was apprehended at the Euston station, where he had gone to inquire for a box which contained the above-mentioned articles. The constable was ordered to take him before the Buckingham bench of magistrates.



SCENE FROM 'THE FROZEN DEEP' AT THE OLYMPIC.—ACT III: "THE RETURN OF THE WANDERER."

CHARLES DAVIS.

Charles Davis, the veteran huntsman of the Queen's Stag-hounds, is no more. We append an illustration representing the great horseman on his favorite horse, The Hermit, together with a short biography of one of the most illustrious huntsmen of modern times. Mr. Davis, who it may almost be said was bred to the chase (the office of Royal Huntsman being as it were hereditary in his family), was born on January 15, 1788. At the age of 13 we find him recorded as whipper-in to his father with the Royal hounds. In 1814 he rose to be whip under his future father-in-law, Sharpe, which post he so devoted himself to that in 1821 we find him elevated to be huntsman. He was then 34, and for forty-four seasons he remained faithfully at his post. Possessed of a remarkably conciliatory disposition, Davis was a general favourite with all classes, and he used to say that he had hunted with three generations of Berkshire and Bucks farmers, and not left an enemy. Things had wonderfully changed during his long and devoted service; and many were the pleasant little reminiscences he would at times entertain his friends with. He would sometimes speak with some regret of the days when Ascot was "Royal Ascot," and not overrun with the multitude. In alluding to many incidents, he would speak with glee of the time when the Sailor King started his whole fleet for the Cup, and lament the now changed aspect of the once exclusive gatherings. Nothing was more grateful to him than the kind attention which was always paid him by Her Majesty, and her care that he should have a good seat in the nave to see the Prince's marriage. In fact, no man was more proud of his connection with Royalty, and there were few things he liked more to dwell upon than little pleasant passages which had occurred in his riding lessons—how he called out to the Prince of Wales his instructions at a fence, and how the Duke of Edinburgh "would have a spin with me, when I was riding Pioneer," and then put in an objection about the winning-post. He liked his appellation of the "Palmerston of the chase," and the noble lord was his idol. His lordship seldom saw anyone from the Ascot neighbourhood without asking to "be remembered to Davis." The reminiscences of Davis would indeed take columns to enter upon, and we must satisfy ourselves by adding that he was one of the finest types of his class that ever existed. A stronger seat, better hands, more graceful bearing, or finer pluck were never combined in man. Poor fellow, for some seasons his declining strength and gradually failing health had necessitated his trusting very much to that most able of adjutants for thirty-three seasons, the present huntsman, Harry King. He used to say in allusion to his having lost his riding, that he would "like to knock off twenty years, but I am content with the past." Three seasons since he wished to resign, but Her Majesty and the Master of the Buckhounds begged



THE LATE CHARLES DAVIS, THE QUEEN'S HUNTSMAN.

him not, and it was settled that he should merely go to the meet and lay the hounds on, and just ride as far as he liked. Of course, in consideration of this new arrangement, a pecuniary understanding was come to between him and Harry King, and nothing could have worked better. At the end of last season, after meeting with his accident, he resigned his post, and retained his house and full salary as a pension till his death. The Royal procession swept up the New Mile at the last Ascot Meeting, but the tall old man, with his form still unbowed by seventy-eight summers, was only a spectator of it. He had all his life suffered from very delicate digestion, and it was simply by a very strict scale of diet and eating little and often, that he was enabled to work on. During the summer months, he became sensibly weaker, and did not take his wonted trip to Brighton with his nieces. The origin of his last illness was severe bronchitis, owing to his having been caught in the wet, as he rode back on Comus from service at Sunning Hill Church. This was about a month since, and he was also seized with severe sickness, which although it was grappled with successfully for a time, gradually wore down his strength. Still, he felt so much better last Saturday that he declared he was coming round, and would get up and dress himself on Sunday. This last gleam of hope was soon over, as his sight began to fail him that evening, and when Sir James Clark visited him, for

the second time, on Sunday, his nieces were told that their anxious watching would soon be at an end. On Wednesday he was quite blind and insensible; he passed peacefully away at half-past one on Friday afternoon. He lost his wife, by whom he had no family, about eleven years since, and is laid beside her in his vault at Sunning Hill.

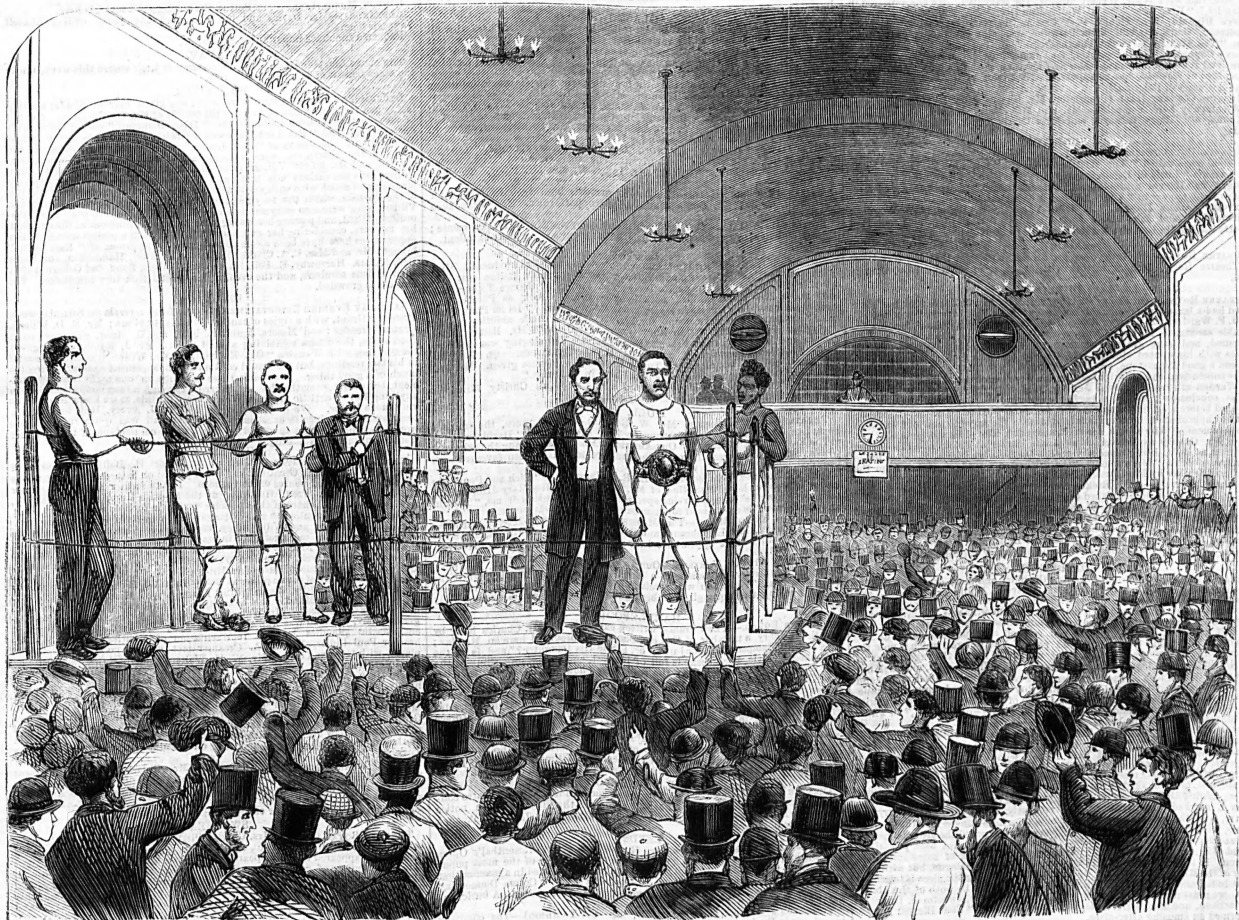
PRESENTATION TO JEM MACE.

In our last week's number we gave an account of the presentation to Jem Mace of a belt, the gift of the proprietors of this journal. We then promised an illustration, which will be found below. The scene represents Mace, who is in the foreground, being presented with the belt by Mr. Robert Warren, the publisher of the *Illustrated Sporting News*—Tom Goss, Bob Travers, Jack Drew, Cobby, and Professor Jones are also represented on the platform.

GOING TO AN EXECUTION.

Usually reporters are thought to be very fast, but a reporter of a reporter's situation at the recent horrible execution thus narrates the case of one who was sent to give the account.—He is a Parliamentary reporter of long standing and is attending officially. He always dresses in a clerical garb, and wears a regular archdeacon's hat. In most crowds his "cloth" protects him, and often to the amusement of his coadjutors the people have called out, "Make way for his reverence." Presuming upon this he walked up Ludgate-hill and along the Old Bailey on the morning of the execution; he had not gone far, however, on this occasion when the mob began to cheer him. "Got a sermon to preach, old chap?" "How's your mother?" "Why did you not bring the beadle with you?" Then the old man's white hair was seen fluttering in the breeze; and as he stooped to pick up his hat he got jammed in on all sides, and when he rose to an erect position he found his pockets turned inside out, and everything he had about him gone. The old gentleman turned to those around him, and said—"Oh! seven shillings and sixpence in one pocket, sixpence and some coppers in the other; very clever, but if you only give me back my spectacles and latch-key you will oblige me." "Here, Jack," said one, "take the gentleman's umbrella while he has a go-in at 'em; he'd be a rum one to fight, I know." The reporter, however, quietly retired, and said he never saw such a queer lot in his life. He should from this time forth advocate private executions.

Mr. Barnum had better look after "a human salamander," who, according to an advertisement in the *Era*, can give the following among other trifling performances:—Biting pieces of red-hot iron, passing a red-hot sheet of iron over his body, drinking boiling oil, washing hands in molten lead, dancing on red-hot iron, &c.



PRESENTATION OF "THE ILLUSTRATED SPORTING NEWS" BELT TO JEM MACE.

THE RING.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

SHOOTING.

Swimming

RABBIT COURSING.

FEARFUL SHIPWRECK.

that of the latter was nearly devoured by sharks. The mate is barely alive."

Swimming

despair; but the American ladies worked on earnestly and bravely, without faltering, till five o'clock in the morning when the captain came down and told us that the vessel must

Wrestling

THE CRUSH AT THE DOORS OF THEATRES.

To the Editor of the *Illustrated Sporting and Theatrical News*.
Sir,—I have just met with the enclosed letter in a morning contemporary (*The Standard*), and as your journal has a great theatrical circulation and meets the eyes of our managers, I hope you will be able to find space for it. It may be the means of bringing about a reform. I, myself, have suffered greatly through the very bad arrangements at the doors of our theatres, and can well feel for thousands of others who nightly suffer. I think the remedy suggested very good. Indeed I thoroughly trust that at least one manager will try the plan put forth in the letter.

Relative to the over issue of checks, I really think, Mr. Editor, out of common fairness to the public that this system should be stopped. —I remain, yours, &c.,
"ALMOST SQUEEZED TO DEATH."

The following is the letter alluded to:

"TO THE EDITOR,

"Sir,—I ask the favour of a little space in your powerful journal, in order to bring to notice a very great grievance, for which thousands suffer nightly, and which I think might be so easily avoided by a simple change in certain old-fashioned (for I consider them very old-fashioned now, in this age of improvement) arrangements. I allude to the great suffering which takes place amongst the visitors upon the opening of the theatre doors of an evening. The sieges and well-fought battles which nightly take place are really alarming; and, Mr. Editor, I have often been greatly surprised that fearful hospital accidents have been escaped. I myself, from my youth up, have been a frequent visitor to theatres on first nights, and other particular occasions and, therefore, as an old campaigner can fully testify to the disgraceful scenes that take place at the doors of our theatres, and more particularly on great occasions. Now I wish to offer what I consider would be a very simple remedy—namely, that one hour (or more) previous to the opening of the doors, a pay-box, of easy access from outside the theatre, be opened, where the visitors can procure their checks as they arrive, so that when the doors open they have merely to present them to the check-taker, thus avoiding that awful crush which usually takes place at the money boxes. I am sorely afraid my proffered remedy for this nightly misery will be coldly received by our managers. But still there is the bare chance of one being conscience-stricken, and adopting my views; and if the blessed conversion does occur I feel almost certain that the alteration will be so relished by the theatrical public that other managers will very soon follow in the wake, and (but now I am terribly afraid I am asking too much) that only sufficient checks be issued as will comfortably fill the theatre. Now, sir, let us see who is the best manager who wishes to meet with audience (his support) really comfortable. I was present some years back at the Manchester Theatre Royal upon the occasion of Mr. Charles Dillon making his first appearance there in his great part of Belphegor. The battle at the doors—there being such an immense body of persons waiting to get in—was really frightful. I saw three coat-tails held up in the pit for ownership, having been torn off in the struggle to gain admission. Now, sir, this might so easily have been avoided by the adoption of my simple plan.—Trusting, Sir, you will endeavour to bring about this great boon, I remain most obediently,
PASS OUT CHECK.

IMPORTANT TO MUSIC HALL PROPRIETORS.

THEATRES V. MUSIC HALLS.

At the Marylebone Police-court, on Saturday, the four summonses obtained against Mr. Meacock, the proprietor of the Metropolitan Music Hall, Edgeware-road, for a theatrical representation of "Valentine and Orson," were called on before Mr. Tyrwhitt.

Mr. Montagu Williams, who appeared to support the summonses stated that the proceedings were taken against a gentleman of the name of Meacock, who is the proprietor of the Metropolitan Music Hall, for allowing to be performed at his hall stage plays, in contravention of the Act of Parliament. The Metropolitan Music Hall is owned by Mr. Meacock, and about time ago some playbills were issued announcing that "Valentine and Orson" would be performed there.

It appeared that the play was sustained by various actors who were announced, in playbills which were issued, to take the characters of Pepin, King of France, Valentine, and others. This was held by Mr. Williams to constitute a stage play. The production of "Box and Cox" was also proved, and also that a screaming farce was announced.

Mr. Lewis, who represented Mr. Meacock, admitted the infringement of the Act of Parliament, and promised that such representations should not be repeated. The presiding magistrate inflicted the nominal fine of 40s. The costs, coming to 25 guineas, were then arranged to be paid to the complainants.

EXTRAORDINARY OUTRAGE ON AMERICAN TRAVELLERS IN TURKEY.

A letter in the *Levant Herald* of the 17th gives an account of a gross attack upon two American gentlemen and a boy on their way to Tiflis. Mr. Henry Stanley, one of the number, writes:—"When about seven hours from Afiuma-Karhisar, on the 18th of September, en route for Tiflis and Thibet via Erzeroum, from Smyrna, I and my two companions, Mr. H. W. Cook, of Illinois, and a youth of New York, were attacked by a band of robbers, holding from the village of Chibislar, headed by a fellow named Achmet, of Karhisar, and robbed of all our money, valuables, and clothing, to the tune of about 80,000 piastres. It would occupy too much space were I to enter into minor details, suffice it to state that after robbing us they conveyed us as prisoners in triumph to Chibislar, accusing us of being robbers, which brought down on our devoted heads unparalleled abuse from the villagers; the women pelted us with stones, the children spat upon us, the men belaboured us unmercifully with sticks, clubs, and frogs. Not comprehending in the least what direction affairs had taken, I must say for myself that I was plunged into a state of stupefaction not unmingled with rage as to how and why we were thus treated. We had instantly acquiesced in all their demands, and were as docile as lambs in their hands, and, though when attacked we were armed with the best Sharps' rifles and Colt's revolvers, we had offered no resistance. When night arrived they bound us with ropes, and so tight around our necks that it nearly produced strangulation, in which suffering, however, they allowed us to remain twelve hours. (A passage here occurs relating to the treatment of the boy.) No explanation that they can render can gloss over the cruelty and malignant treatment to which we have been subjected. Next, two of them conveyed us bound, with the most daring effrontery imaginable, to a small town called Rashikuei, with the statement that we were robbers, where of course we, powerless to explain the mystery that hung over us, were treated as prisoners, accompanied by the most cruel abuse; chains were hung round our necks, and garlands, a show of light. From this place we were sent to Afiuma-Karhisar, where we received the benefit of an interpreter in the person of Mr. L. B. Peloso, agent of the Ottoman Bank at that place, who acquitted himself very creditably in that capacity; the fruits of which were, that we were immediately freed from "durance vile." Nor did his generosity stay here; he lent us ample funds, procured us comfortable rooms at the khan, and fed and clothed us, thus acting the part of a good Samaritan to three unfortunate men. And again, through his energetic and repeated appeals to Rasid Bey, the Turkish authorities, we were at last released. A strict search was made by soldiers in the villages, and about 40p; and two or three other articles of clothing were recovered. The prisoners—Achmet, Ibrahim, Hassan, Mustapha,

Bekir, Vally, Umet, and three others were sent under strong guard to Broussa, there to be detained till tried according to law. We arrived at Constantinople, via Broussa, yesterday, to lay our case before the American minister, through whose influence I hope justice will be meted out to the unhappy sufferers. As was to be expected, the Hon. E. Joy Morris, the American minister, lost no time in addressing an energetic demand to the Porte for the prompt and severe punishment of the ruffians concerned.

A MAN KILLED AT THE CANNON-STREET STATION.

On Monday evening Mr. W. Payne, coroner for London and Southwark, held an inquest at Guy's Hospital on the body of Charles De Rosney Gale, aged 32, who was killed by a train running over him at the Cannon-street station on Friday last. It appeared that the deceased was engaged at Cannon-street station. On Friday afternoon, about half-past four o'clock, he was standing on the up line outside the station. There are three lines there, and the train was on the east up line when a train came behind, knocked him down, and went over him. The train was proceeding about ten miles an hour, and the deceased was looking in a contrary direction. The whistle was sounded and the train was called to when the train was about 80 yards from him, but he appeared not to hear, and the driver was not able to pull up before striking him. The deceased did not seem to be aware of any danger. He had been engaged in oiling the points and preparing the levers, and was close to the points when he was run over. He had plenty of time to get out of the way had he looked out properly, as directed.

A juror said he thought it was not proper to place an inexperienced man in such a dangerous position. Mr. W. Brown, the station-master, said it had been particularly pointed out to him how to avoid danger, and there had been plenty of time to get out of the way if he had looked out as directed. A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

A FEROCIOUS MONSTER.

During last week an animal was brought to this city from the northern part of this State, the like of which was never before seen, we venture to assert. A year ago we learned from several reliable gentlemen who had seen it, that such a monster was extant, though rather too diminutive to attract much notice, and that, should it live to attain full size, it would be a marvel of ugliness and ferocity. About the middle of the present month its keepers concluded that it had attained a growth sufficient to astonish any community in which it should be exhibited, and it was brought to this city, to remain, as we supposed, till after the State fair, but its extreme viciousness rendered it unsafe and improper to allow it to stay here, as well as dangerous to the crowds that will be in town during the coming week. A gentleman who saw it while here describes it as follows:—"The general characteristics and features of the horse are closely blended with those of the ox in this strange and remarkable beast. The head and neck are broad and heavy, giving it the fierce disposition of the buffalo rather than the quiet and docile character of the ox, while a mane reaching from the forehead to the shoulder, and sweeping to the knee adds to the general appearance of ferocity. The horns are heavy at the base, but very short, and remarkably polished and pointed. The eye is dull, but suggests things unutterable—an expression of latent power and devilishness which the general appearance of the animal confirms. The muzzle is black and ugly, the nose nostrils arguing a large breathing apparatus and unconquerable endurance. The jaw is heavy and prominent, the forehead full but rather square. The depth of shoulder is very great, the forelegs short and large, the foot broad and deeply cleft. But here the bovine resemblance ceases altogether, and the equine characteristics begin. The body is slight and rounded, closely covered by a glossy coat of fine short hair, and a long flowing tail nearly reaches the ground. The hinder legs are smooth and like those of a racehorse, and the hoofs rather slight but well formed, contrasting strangely with the heavy legs and cleft hoofs of the forward part of the animal. Its gait, too, is a ludicrous cross between that of the two brutes of whose nature it seems to partake. While the motions of the forward part of the body are slow, awkward, and shambling, those of the hinder are extremely graceful and agile. Altogether it is one of the most wonderful curiosities to be found in the animal kingdom. Who will give it a name?—*Indianapolis Journal*."

WHOLESALE HUMAN SACRIFICE IN BRITISH TERRITORY ON THE GOLD COAST.

[Extract of a letter to the *African Times*.]

Accra, Gold Coast, West Africa, August 10, 1866.

In my last I informed you briefly of the death of Quow Daddy, the King of Aquapim, at Akropong, the capital of that country, about the end of June. The death of King Quow Daddy was the signal for the sacrificing of some thirty-five to forty men and women connected with his household. Such wholesale slaughter of human beings within the jurisdiction of the Government of the Queen of England has not been known nor heard of, even in the remotest or most savage and uncivilised regions of this protectorate, for the last sixty years. In Akropong the Basle missionaries have numerous large establishments. Immediately on the death of the King being made known to them, their principal, the Rev. Mr. Widmann despatched an express to Lieutenant Brett, the chief civil commandant of Accra, through Mr. Mueller, the agent of the Basle missionaries at Christiansburg, informing him of the occurrence, and of the certainty of great disorder and irregularity, if the Government did not at once depute some officer for important commissioner up there to preserve order and keep in check any such desire on the part of the people. This friendly and timely warning of the Basle missionaries was treated with that contempt with which the British authorities on the Gold Coast invariably treat information coming from sources not entirely and strictly official; which latter, be it observed, almost always proves to be corrupt, false, and manufactured to suit official despatches. The result of this apathy is, as many of our victims have been ruthlessly slain to accompany Quow Daddy to the next world; amongst the number four young females, his wives. Several of the intended victims fled to the different residences of the Basle missionaries, and were afforded refuge by the Rev. Mr. Widmann and the Rev. Mr. Madre. Some of these are still in the hands of these missionaries; others, who were being smuggled to Accra for better protection, were discovered and killed. Some, again, who reached Accra in safety, were pursued and actually seized in Jamestown under the very walls of the prison fort, and would have been carried away had not several of the residents forced the matter on the notice of the commandant, who with the utmost reluctance interfered, and fined the offenders £12—twelve pounds! Akropong is only 18 miles from the seat of Government in Accra. It is a country very easily accessible through good roads, made, not by the Government, but by the German missionaries.

FRIGHTFUL AFFAIR.—A MAN KILLED BY HIS WIFE.

A very shocking affair occurred at Preston on Sunday night. An oiler at a factory, named George Osbaldeston, living at 69, Crown-street, has been out of employment for some time, and has been maintained by the earnings of his wife, Agnes, who is a rovers at a cotton-mill, and those of an elder son—a youth about 18 years old. The wife had been in the habit of taking drink at the end of each week, and as their income was necessarily small this enraged the

husband, who frequently beat her, and then followed her example at the public-house. About nine o'clock on Sunday night she was in the house airing a shirt, when he came home, and seeing that she had had something to drink, began to curse and swear, and struck her several times with his fist, and knocked her down. She struck him in return. Eventually they ceased blows, but continued to quarrel. She began to prepare supper for her son, and whilst doing so her husband called her some very foul names. She became very passionate and threatened that if he continued to act as he had done she would run into him a knife with which she was cutting some bread. He then jumped up furiously and struck her again, whereupon she brandished the knife and threw it at him. It struck him on the neck, severed the principal artery, and caused his death almost instantaneously. On Monday she was brought up at the Preston Police-court, when the above facts having been detailed in evidence the prisoner was remanded till Wednesday.

When charged with the offence the Prisoner said—"I was making some tea when he struck me, and I threw the knife. God knows I did not mean to hurt him."

The deceased was about 46 years of age, and the prisoner is between 48 and 49. They have been married about 26 years, and have two children, one 18 and the other 14.

DESPERATE OUTRAGE.—A CHILD KILLED BY BLOWING UP A HOUSE.

On Friday evening, a child named Reed died at Houghton-le-Spring (a pit village about half-way between Sunderland and Durham) from the following outrageous circumstances:—It appears that a pitman named Brownlee, working at Houghton colliery, and residing at the new houses near the pit, a mad sort of fellow, given to occasional drinking bouts, has been off work for some time, and has entertained grudge against some of his neighbours. On Thursday, the 28th ult., he had sent his daughter-in-law, a young woman on different occasions pots of rum. After the last occasion he desired her to call in a Mrs. Ann Reed, the wife of a neighbouring pitman, and Mrs. Reed obeyed the call, taking with her to Brownlee's house an infant child two years old. The man's daughter-in-law was busy in attending to some cooking, and noticed the kitchen poker red hot in the fire, but before she could remove it, Brownlee stepped forward, seized the poker, and rammed it into a small open barrel of powder, which, like all pitmen, he kept in the house for blasting while at his work. The effect of the explosion that followed was terrific; the roof of the house was nearly all carried away, the warehouse at the rear was blown down, the window was blown out, and the goods in the house were nearly all destroyed. The five persons inside suffered most, and there seems to be no doubt that the intention of Brownlee was to destroy them all along with himself. Mrs. Reed was severely injured, and the infant in her arms was so badly burnt that it lingered on until Friday night, when it died. Brownlee himself escaped with the least injuries, but his daughter-in-law suffered a great deal. She now lies in the workhouse in a condition which gives little hope of recovery. Brownlee himself is in custody of the police, awaiting the result of the coroner's inquest to be held.

SINGULAR ATTEMPTED SUICIDE OF AN OFFICER.

On Monday an inquest was held at the London Hospital, on the body of Major Thomas Clark, aged 43. From the evidence of the brother of the deceased it appeared that he was a major in the 24th Regiment of Foot, and recently came to England on leave. As the expiration of his leave approached he expressed apprehensions that he should die if he returned to India. He became subject to great mental excitement in consequence, and Dr. Allingham was consulted. Dr. Allingham deposed that he found the deceased was not in a fit state to be left alone. He remained with the deceased in the drawing-room pending the arrival of a keeper who had been sent for. The deceased kept walking up and down the room in an excited state, and suddenly rushed to the window and leaped out. The doctor caught hold of his legs, but subsequently changed his hold to the coat tails in consequence of the unfortunate man kicking so violently. The coat, however, "peeled" off his back and he fell to the pavement. He was removed to the hospital suffering from a broken arm. He went on well at first. Upon the slightest thing being said to him he used to become most excited. He used to say "I wish I was dead." He expired on the 23rd ult. A post mortem examination proved that he had got over the shock to the system which he had received. The cause of death was severe bronchitis accelerated by the fall.

The jury returned a verdict—"That the deceased expired from the mortal effects of bronchitis, accelerated by a fall which he received by throwing himself out of a certain window while in a state of un-sound mind."

GETTING A GRAND STAND TICKET BY A "DODGE."—At the West Stand, the Quarter Stands, last week, Charles Harding was charged with obtaining by false pretence a pass-ticket to the Grand Stand on the Goodwood Race-course. Sergeant Poole, of the Portsmouth police, said that he saw the prisoner on the Cup Day go in and out of the enclosure of the Grand Stand three or four times in ten minutes. He heard the accused say to another man, "I'll get you one next time." Almost immediately after he went back into the enclosure, but witness kept an eye upon him, and in about a minute he saw the prisoner coming out of one of the gates used for ingress and egress. Prisoner got a pass-ticket from the man on the right-hand side of the gate, which he put in his pocket, and then backed among the throng and made his way to the second gate-keeper, and held out his hand, saying, "My ticket." He received another, and came out, being then stopped by the witness and accused of having two tickets. He denied it, but he had one in his hand and the other in his pocket. This statement was corroborated by the gatekeeper, and although the prisoner's solicitor made a most able defence for him, the jury almost immediately found him guilty, and he was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

VERDICT OF MANSLAUGHTER AGAINST DOCTORS.—The adjourned inquest on the body of Edward Williams, who was killed in a fight at young Shaw's public-house, was resumed at the Charing-cross Hospital; the jury, after being locked up for three hours and a half, returned into court at ten minutes past eleven o'clock, and the foreman stated that twelve out of the fourteen jurymen had agreed to a verdict of manslaughter against the principals, the second of the fight, and the landlord of the house—namely, against John Young, Edward Donnelly, Thomas Dawes, James Evans, Daniel Morris, and William Shaw. The coroner then made out his warrants for the commitment of these persons to Newgate.

MORAL DUTY.—Some time since Mr. Passmore Edwards, a gentleman tolerably well known in literary circles, was unfortunate, and unable to pay his debts. His creditors executed a legal release, and coupled with it an expression of their sympathy with Mr. Edwards under his misfortunes. Subsequently Mr. Edwards had better luck, and having paid all he owed, though he was not legally bound to do so, his creditors and friends presented him with a gold watch and chain, to mark their sense of his honourable conduct. There was a dinner at the Albion, in Aldersgate-street, on the occasion, and among the company was Mr. Reed, the Chief Constructor of the Navy. Mr. Edwards's health having been drunk, he said, in reference to the watch, that he was sorry that the watch was so few and so rare of persons active in the manner in which he had done. Three things had actuated him—first, duty to myself; secondly, duty to his creditors; and thirdly, duty to society.

no doubt as to his insanity, and said the prisoner only put on the present appearance a few days since. The prisoner also feigned

ROBERT OF £500 FROM THE BANK OF ENGLAND.—At the Plymouth Guildhall, on Monday, a respectably-dressed young man, named James Lord, was charged under a warrant with stealing £500, the property of the governors of the Bank of England, from the West-India branch of that bank. Henry Dawson, the London detective, who had been sent to Plymouth to investigate the case, had procured the warrant, and the prisoner was handed over to his custody. On the theft becoming known it was discovered that the prisoner had absconded, and information was given to the Plymouth police. Detective Sergeant Dawe, of that force, on Saturday found the prisoner at the Navy Hotel, Southside-street, Plymouth, and identifying him from a card sent him by the London police, took him in charge, and the £500 in the money bag was recovered. The prisoner is understood to sail in some ship when Dawe apprehended him.

TWO MISSING BROKERS.—On Tuesday a reward of £200 was offered for the apprehension of Lionel Holdsworth, late of 146, Fenchurch-street, and of Notting-hill, ship and insurance broker, and Joseph Stanfield Dene, alias William Allport, late of 101, London-hall-street, and New-street, Kennington, formerly trading at Tower-buildings, Liverpool, as commission merchant. These persons are charged with committing serious frauds upon the underwriters of London and elsewhere. The sum of £100 is offered for the apprehension of each of them by the Salvage Association at Lloyd's, and Inspector Hamilton, of the City detective force, holds a warrant for their apprehension.

CROWNING A STATUE OF THE VIRGIN.—The *Moniteur de l'Indre* contains an account of an interesting ceremony which has just taken place at Touvent, near Chateauroux, the seat of M. Thayer, senator. The wife of that gentleman is a daughter of General Bertrand, one of the companions of Napoleon I. in exile, and had inherited from her mother some magnificent diamonds presented to Madame Bertrand by the Emperor. Madame Thayer recently resolved to devote those precious stones to a pious object, and had them formed into a magnificent crown, to be placed on the head of the statue of the Virgin of the chapel of Touvent, which is a dependency of the Church of Notre Dame des Victoires in Paris and is under the same invocation. The crown, which is valued at several millions of francs, was when completed sent to Rome to be blessed by the Pope, and some days back was solemnly placed on the head of the Virgin of Touvent, in the presence of Mgr. de la Tour d'Auvergne, Archbishop of Bourges, assisted by the Bishops of Limoges and Nevers and 400 clergymen of the diocese of Chateauroux.

A NICE POINT OF LAW.—A freeman named Allison was recently put on trial in Louisiana for a murder committed by him in 1855. The defence moved to quash the indictment on the ground that at the time the defendant is charged to have committed the murder he was a slave, subject to the laws of Louisiana relative to slaves, and amenable to a special tribunal created for their trial; that the effect of the amendment of the Constitution of the United States was to set him free and abrogate all laws enacted for the punishment of crimes committed by slaves. The court held that the Constitution of 1861 was illegal, and that slavery was not abrogated in the parish of St. Martin until December 6, 1865, when the General Assembly of the State ratified the Constitutional Amendment prohibiting slavery; that the defendant was therefore a slave at the time he is alleged to have committed the murder, and that the motion to quash must prevail.

Pickings from Punch and Fun.

WATF FROM THE WAVES.

A great conception seems to have been realised, from an advertisement which has appeared in the *Shipping and Mercantile Gazette*.

PICKED UP, AND TOWED INTO HARWICH, A WAGER BOAT, named VIOLET, with a Gentleman in it. It was CLAIMED by the 11th instant, the BOAT will be sold to pay expenses. Address JOHN BENNETT, Boat "Champion," Harwich, Essex.

Who was the Gentleman picked up in the Wager Boat of which he could evidently give no account? Probably a living counterpart to the hero of Coleridge's chief poem, with the difference of being unable to tell his story, having been struck dumb, and deprived of reason, by horrors similar to those which befell the *Ancient Mariner*.

A COOL IDEA.—Experiments have recently been made with "chilled projectiles," which have proved to be prodigiously destructive. Of old, when it happened that an enemy hove in sight, the order to the gunners was to "give it to him hot." In future, "take it coolly," will perhaps be the command; and we shall not hear so much about the heat of an engagement, when the victory is won by chilled projectiles and cold steel.

COMMON SENSE.—An Inclosure Act. FROM THE INDIA OFFICE.—A celebrated city in India is about to be re-named in honour of the new Secretary of State. It is to be called in future Cranbourne Alley-labad.

DONE ON PURPOSE.—"One of the sure signs," says a contemporary, "of the decrease of fish in large bodies of water is when the latter are forsaken by porpoises." The exact opposite holds good in the case of birds, large or small, on land; for their existence becomes more fishy the more porpoise-less.

A CAPITAL SUGGESTION.—It is reported that an energetic effort will be made by the leaders of the fashions in Paris next season to revive the practice of powdering the hair. It is to be regretted the leaders of fashion do not pay as much attention to the insides of their heads as they do to the outsides.

SNIDER'S ENTHRALL.

(By the W. G. Officiis Poet.)

Here Snider lies! His neat conversion plan
Gave us breech-loaders at twelve bob per man
"In medio tutissimus" has been
Bull's rule: he's safe with us, for we're "the mean."
When Snider made his claim upon the Crown,
We passed him on to Clode—Clode cut him down.
Two millions he had saved us, Snider swore;
We granted that much, but would grant no more.
For near three thousand, Snider, shameless, cried,
We offered one: he took it, blushed, and died!

DUMBLEBUSH LAMBETHINUS LOCUTOR.

"The Master of Lambeth workhouse having been charged with illegally black-bolling, ducking, and otherwise violently assaulting the paupers under his charge, an investigation being threatened, has resigned, and his resignation has been accepted by the Guardians."—*Daily Paper*.

"Black-hole and duck your paupers," and you'll find.

Though you serve them well, guardians will serve you ill:

The dogs lick'd Lazarus, and they're called kind;

When I lick Lazarus, why am I called cruel?

THE WOMAN IN WIGHT.—The quiet of Ventnor has been disturbed by an incident which might have been attended with circumstances more or less serious, but, fortunately, was accompanied by nothing of the kind. It is thus recorded in a paragraph apparently comprising a week's news from the Isle of Wight:—

"VENTNOR AGENT, Messrs. KROFT & SON.

"ACCIDENT.—As a lady was coming down from the railway station into Grove Road, last night, a stone which lay in the road struck her, and she fell taking a rather peculiar turn, she fell to the ground without, happily, receiving any severe injury."

The sensational announcement above quoted from the *Hampshire Telegraph*, may at first seem to indicate that in the Isle of Wight there has not been much stirring lately, but—as a popular comedian used to say—stagnation. This idea arises from the want of a due appreciation of the sensibility of Isle of Wight people. At any rate, the inhabitants of Ventnor have hearts that can be affected by a sister's fall, even when not only are no bones broken by it, but even so much as a bruise does not appear to have been sustained. But who was the sufferer of that alarming accident? We would ask—if only she had suffered anything. Who was the heroine of the startling occurrence, related in the foregoing paragraph, which frightened the Isle of Wight from its propriety? We know not. There are perhaps reasons why we should never know. Let her remain unnamed—a mystery. Suffice it is to ask of her as "The Woman in Wight."

MEDICAL.—"M.D." writes to say that he finds the great complaint at Brighton is still—the Shingles.

A SETBACK.—A Ballon Ascend.

MOTTO FOR THE VOLUNTEERS (by one who went to Belgium).—

"Quo Fête a vocant."

Passing Events.

A company of the old New York "volunteers" firemen talk of going to Paris and taking an engine with them.

Scarlatina and typhus still continue fatal in Newcastle, chiefly among children.

During the week, 45, and during the year 1675 wrecks are recorded.

A Mormon bishop, who died recently at Salt Lake City, left eleven wives and forty-one children to mourn his loss.

The Chinese proverb says a lie has no legs, and cannot stand; but it has wings, and can fly far and wide.

At Worship-street three female casuals got a week's hard labour each for tearing up their clothes in Shoreditch workhouse.

A despatch has arrived by the Atlantic telegraph bringing news from Toronto to the 27th, which informs us that the Fenian Priest M'Mahon has been sentenced to be hanged.

The King of Bavaria has made Wagner a present of a splendid stick, the head of which is set with precious stones, and is valued at some thousands of florins.

A rush has again set in from Australia to the gold fields on the west coast of the Middle Island. The yield continues to progress steadily.

Telegraphic communication between London and New York is again interrupted by some break down in the land lines on the Newfoundland side. The cable is still in perfect order.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, with the Duke of Edinburgh and the Queen of Denmark, arrived at Costessy Hall, the seat of Lord Stafford on Tuesday.

An editor, speaking of Spiritualism, says:—"We don't believe in any medium except the 'circulating medium,' and that has become so scarce that our faith in it is shaky."—*American Paper*.

It is understood that Mr. J. S. Mill will visit St. Andrew's early in January, when he will deliver his inaugural address as Lord Rector of the University.

In St. Petersburg tipsy people are lodged for the night at the police-stations, and in the morning obliged to do penance as scavengers.

Sir C. H. Rouse Boughton, Bart., is the new President of the British Archaeological Association. The next meeting will be held at Ludlow.

A wag at White's has christened an artist, who married a plain lady named Rosa, Salvador Rosa. Alluding to her happiness in the married state she ought to be called Rosa Bonheur.

Decorations must be easy to get abroad, or desert must be high, as a midshipman fourteen years old was observed at the Opera last week with seven decorations on his coat.

A girl died quite suddenly in London this week by the rupture of the pulmonary artery, caused by over-exertion in singing—an art she appears to have excelled in.

The Paris mint has issued a medal recording the discovery of the electric telegraph, and another in honour of the invention of photography.

The young ladies who presented bouquets to the King on his entry into Berlin lately, have each received a medal in commemoration of that event.

No less a sum than £327,063 has already been expended on the Thames Embankment between Westminster and Waterloo Bridges, and nearly as much again has yet to be spent.

Four junior members of the University of Oxford, one of them a bachelor of arts, who has taken a first-class degree, have just gone over to the Church of Rome. A fifth went out at the beginning of the vacation.

The celebrated Japanese traveller, Dr. von Siebold, died at Munich on the 18th inst., of typhus, at the age of seventy-one. He has left a rich collection of manuscripts.

Colonel Colt is to have a monument. We thought he had one in his fortune of millions for the sale of the revolver. The monument is to cost £5,000, and to be sixty feet high, and revolve.

The *Scotsman* states that along with other distinguished visitors at present residing at the Clyde Hotel, Bothwell, are the widow and daughter of the late Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States.

Lord Leigh, Grand Master of the Free and Accepted Masons of the Province of Warwickshire, announced at Sutton Colfield, on Tuesday last, the probability of one if not two members of the Royal Family joining the craft at an early date.

Darkness, or rather want of sunlight, has a curious effect on climbing plants. If deprived of light, they cease to twine in the direction peculiar to each species, but develop in straight lines until they are placed in a more favourable condition.

William Smith, who was tried at the Old Bailey not long since for the Cannon-street murder and acquitted, was on Wednesday fined 5s, and costs by the magistrates, at Slough, for being drunk and riotous.

There have been conflicting accounts as to Lord Clarendon's state of health and whereabouts. We believe he is now in much better health and travelling about. According to the latest accounts he was in Florence.

Her Majesty has been pleased, through Lord Derby, to confer a pension of £75 a year on the widow of the late Mr. Godfrey Sykes, formerly a pupil and teacher of the Sheffield School of Art, and the architectural decorator of the South Kensington Museum.

The Princess Dagmar, on the occasion of her approaching marriage with the grand Duke, heir to the Russian throne, has resolved to present a dowry to each of eight young Danish girls without fortune, who may be married in the course of the next three months.

The deaths from cholera in London on Monday were fifteen, of which twelve occurred in the south districts. In the west districts there was not a single death. The other three divisions of the metropolis furnished one each. Five deaths are referred to diarrhoea.

The Sultan has presented the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul with a piece of land, called Tchakouk-Boston, a Top-Kane, for the purpose of erecting thereon an orphan asylum. The exemplary conduct of these religious during the prevalence of the cholera of 1865 has produced them this imperial favour.

The original Artemus Ward was a very different character from his modern namesake. He was the first Major-General in the American revolutionary army, and commanded the right wing of the forces at Roxbury in the siege of Boston. He was born in Massachusetts in 1727, and died in 1800.

The cavalry officers who were engaged in the battle of Balaklava celebrated the anniversary of that memorable engagement on Thursday evening, at the London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street. The 4th Hussars, who had the honour in the glorious charge of Balaklava, celebrated the event at Newcastle by athletic sports, &c., a ball and a dance.

A tremendous gale blew on Monday night at Liverpool. The *Sunda*, a coal of the Black Ball line of steamers, outward bound to Aden with coal, went ashore in Queen's Channel. Six of the crew were washed off and lost; the remainder were rescued by the Liverpool lifeboat and a steam tug.

A cashier of the western branch of the Bank of England was arrested on Monday at Plymouth, and on Tuesday brought before the magistrate at Marlborough-street, charged with stealing £500 from his till in the bank. Betting was the cause of his ruin. He denied the charge, and was committed for trial.

The deaths from all causes in London last week were 1,391, or 123 in excess of the average. The deaths from cholera and diarrhoea were exactly the same as the week previous, namely, 114. Of the 112 deaths from cholera no less than 30 extremely malignant cases occurred in the Woolwich Dockyard and the Plumstead sub-districts near the southern outfall sewer.

Mrs. Rumbold, a person of respectable position, residing at Park-villas East, Regent's Park, was charged at Marlborough-street with stealing a pair of boots from the shop of Messrs. Drake in Regent-street. There was no doubt about the theft, and the defence was that the prisoner's mind was affected, and that she was incapable of taking care of herself. The magistrate remanded her.

On Friday afternoon Her Majesty paid a visit to the Duchesse d'Aumale at Aberdeide Castle. Prince Christian, Prince Arthur, Sir S. Northcote, and the Duchesse d'Aumale went deer driving to the woods of Aberdeide, when his Royal Highness Prince Arthur was successful in bringing down a fine stag. On Saturday, the Duke and Duchesse d'Aumale had the honour of joining the Royal circle at dinner at Balmoral.

Two nearly naked boys (not brothers), of whom the eldest, when asked his age, said he was "going on for his eight," and the youngest, that he was "all six," were charged before the magistrate at Woking street with sleeping in an open van. Both said they had no father, and that their mothers had gone away, they didn't know where. The youngest said his mother before leaving him told him she could not keep him any longer. The magistrate sent the poor children to the workhouse.

A similar case was before the magistrate at Marylebone. A boy about nine was found by a policeman sleeping in a doorway in Lisson-street, and was taken to the station-house. His father was seen. His mother was receiving 4s. 6d. per week from the parish, but she had left her home and him. He had slept in the workhouse for a few nights, but they had turned him out to seek his mother. Mr. Mansfield said the child must be taken back to the workhouse to be taken care of, and the authorities must find his mother and make her maintain him.

"Poll Tax," writing to the editor of the *Daily Leader*, of Swansea, says:—"Sir, Will you be so good as to insert this letter, in order that some member of the hireling profession may see it and be tempted to come here. The gentlemen of this town, of 17,000 or 18,000 souls, have to go to Swansea, 12 miles distant, to get copped by inserting their name to lead to the settlement here of some anti-persons, and oblige several victims of a very inconvenient poll tax."

Mr. G. Robinson, Seal House, Hexham, hooked a salmon at the "water meetings," Kingshaw Green, Hexham, a few days since, and after a short and exciting struggle brought the unwilling captive to beach nearly 200 yards lower down the river, belly up, when it was gaffed by his companion. This "king" of the pool was a fine male fish, 18in. in circumference at the shoulder, 23in. round the middle, and weighed 18lb. The weight of Mr. Robinson's rod, with its brass end and fittings, is only 1lb. 4oz. A small grille fly was used, with 6in. of single gut, and a strong trout casting line, all being home made. Nothing was lost but a ring off the butt end of the rod.

A large city firm has made an offer to Mr. Bright to wash and clean 658 scavengers and navvies and dress them in black cloth, to show a certain amount of white shirt and wristband, fit them with polished boots, and a fashionable low-crowned hat, and moreover supply them with black gloves from number twelve to sixteen. The firm will further give each a blackthorn stick or bamboo cane, and send them through Temple Bar at a given hour at the rate of 4s. 4d. each, to show a certain amount of white shirt and wristband, and as capable of managing the affairs as the Members of Parliament. The gain to the cause of Reform by this exhibition, the firm thinks, would be worth the outlay.

EXTRAORDINARY ATTEMPTED MURDER AND SUICIDE NEAR HUDDERSFIELD.

A man named George Earnshaw, a stubber, residing in Swansea, Lockwood, near Huddersfield, attempted to murder one of his children late on Saturday night and to commit suicide. His wife went to Dewsbury on Saturday afternoon to visit one of her daughters, leaving her husband and two daughters, Ellen, aged fourteen, and Mary Ann, aged four years—at home, and also a lodger, who went to bed at a quarter-past nine, leaving Earnshaw sitting up and his two girls in a bed in the lower room. At that time the kettle full of water was on the fire, and Earnshaw said he was going to use it to bathe his feet. About eleven o'clock, some of the neighbours heard the children crying for help and tried the door, but found it fastened. The lodger was also aroused, and he came down stairs, and tried some of the neighbours, but they fastened. Earnshaw was in bed with the children, and he fastened a rope around his neck, which was cut by Samuel Kaye. It was also found that the girl Ellen was badly scalded about the face and neck, and Mary Ann was scalded on the right arm. Aid was rendered to the children, and Earnshaw was taken into custody by Police-constable Redman; but as he had also scalded himself by drinking at the kettle spout, he was conveyed to the Infirmary. He said it was his intention to kill the children by pouring hot water into their ears, and then to kill himself. Recently he has been ill, and has not appeared to us in a sound state of mind.

ACTION FOR THE COSTS OF TRAINING A PUGILIST.

On Monday last John Parsons brought an action against Ebenezer Hicken (Abie Hicken) to recover £22 8s. for board and lodging money lent, at Wolverhampton County Court. Mr. Skidmore, Judge. The plaintiff was the keeper of the Bull Inn, Snow-hill, Wolverhampton; and the defendant was a pugilist and a publican, keeping the George and Dragon, Bell-street, in the same town. Hicken was matched with Gallagher, and took up his quarters at the plaintiff's house on April 23rd, and remained there in company with his trainer (Richard Moseley) until May 23rd. Hicken was charged £3 for himself and £4 for his trainer, 22 8s. for colours, &c. Moseley said it was his duty to see that Hicken took no drink, and to run him down after a sweat. Abie Hicken described himself as Champion of the Light-weights. He told Parsons he was going to train at Shifnal, and the plaintiff said, "I will find you £15 for the battle, four dozen handkerchiefs, and see you right through the fight if you train at my house, and you shall want for nothing," adding, "You can get many a 'quid' given you at my house which you wouldn't in the county." On Monday morning for London, Parsons gave Hicken 30s., and told him if he wanted any more he must go to Bos Tyler for it. Parsons paid him 212 10s. of the stakes, and he meant to have paid him the sum back had he won the fight, but he did not mean to pay for the board in any event. It was the custom to give him a free training for the benefit of the house where he stayed. Several witnesses deposed to the custom of a "free training." The judge said he could not recognise custom, and gave a verdict for the plaintiff for £10, with professional and Court fees.

SHOCKING DEATH.—A MAN BURNED ALIVE.—About eight o'clock on Sunday morning last, John Smith, about twenty years of age, who resided in Coseley-street, Bilston, met with a horrible death in the pursuit of his calling, a filler at the Stonefield Blast Furnace, Bilston. The deceased went as usual with a load of mine to the top of the furnace, and being longer away than customary, one of the workmen went up and found that the poor fellow had fallen with his head into the mouth of the furnace, and that in the short space of time that had elapsed the head and whole of the upper part of the body was burnt away. The deceased's remains, such as they were, were removed to Coseley-street, where his leaves were laid out. It is supposed Smith met with his death whilst suffering from a fit.

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DESTRUCTION OF CREWE HALL, CHESHIRE.—Yesterday morning, at two o'clock, the discovery was made that Crewe Hall, Cheshire, the seat of Lord Crew, was on fire. It appears that shortly after Lord Crew had retired to rest, about one o'clock, he rang for his valet, and intimated his suspicion that some part of the mansion was on fire; and, on proceeding to the eastern wing, the fact was fully ascertained. Two miniature engines belonging to the hall were attempted to be brought to bear upon it, but could not, owing to the want of the key of a water plug, which communicates with the lake. During this interval the fire had spread along the marble hall, picture gallery, drawing-room, and the chapel on the north side, the ceiling of which, with the walls ornamented with splendid costly paintings, soon became a pitiful sight. The great staircase, with a large quantity of statuary, is all gone. Very many paintings that were at the Great Exhibition in 1856 have been destroyed. The hall was commenced to be built in 1616, and completed in 1636, and in 1837 it was restored at a cost of £50,000 by the present peer. The entire hall, except a very small part, was destroyed by twelve at noon yesterday.

From the Westmoreland Gazette and Kendal Advertiser.

FIRE AT MEAL BANK.—"On Saturday morning last, at half-past five o'clock, when Mr. Hirst, the manager for Messrs. Brathwaite and Co., the extensive woollen manufacturers, opened the door of the mill, he found a strong smell of fire, which he saw came from one of the carding-engines. Arriving at the spot, the machine was one mass of red fire; he called two or three men to his assistance, and after closing the doors they went to work with two Extingueurs, and in a few minutes all further danger ceased. The carding-machine was the middle one of a block of seven, and though everything belonging to it, except the iron work, was entirely destroyed, no other damage was done beyond blistering the frame-work of an adjoining engine which stood at a distance of two feet six inches. THE DAMAGE IS ESTIMATED AT ABOUT £250." January 26, 1866.

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